

REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF LEXINGTON;

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1875.

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OFFICE OF THE "LEXINGTON MINUTE-MAN."

1875.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN ON THE AFFAIRS OF THE TOWN.

LEXINGTON, FEB. 10, 1875.

Agreeably to usage and the vote of the town, the Selectmen submit a general statement, to their fellow citizens, of the affairs and fiscal condition of the town, together with a statement of their own acts and doings.

In relation to their doings under the authority of the Drainage Act of 1873, they would simply say, that in their last report they stated that the early setting-in of winter prevented the completion of their contemplated work upon the meadows. In May last we viewed the premises, and decided what farther should be done. We found on examination that the drains had accomplished all that was anticipated, showing a marked improvement in the condition of the meadows. The banks of the drains had stood the trial of the first winter, which is generally the severest trial to which such work is exposed, as well as could have been expected. We ordered the extension of some of the side drains so as to relieve certain portions of the meadows from water, agreeably to the plan originally adopted. We also examined the meadows carefully in September last, before apportioning the betterment tax; and from both examinations, and from what we saw in the course of the season, we were fully satisfied that the general improvement of these meadows, and the lands immediately contiguous, would ultimately more than repay the cost of draining. We found land which was a mere bog the year before, too wet for any kind of culture, reclaimed, and under a high state of cultivation; and finally seeded down to English grass, with a

good prospect of a productive yield. A single case of this kind shows what can be done on large sections of these meadows, which are now perfectly unproductive.

The sum expended upon the meadows the last season, including the amounts allowed for damages to certain parties, amounts to three hundred and sixty-nine dollars and twenty-five cents. The sum assessed is by the vote of the town, made payable all at one time; that is, on January 1, 1875, or in three annual instalments, on January 1, 1875, 1876, and 1877, at the option of the tax-payer. Some parties have already paid their tax, and measures will be immediately adopted to collect the rest. The town will have paid for the culverts, and allowed in interest on the sum advanced to meet the cost of the drainage, at least one-third of the whole sum; so when it is said that this drainage should be regarded as a sanitary measure, the answer is, that this has been regarded as one element, and paid for by the town accordingly.

In regard to the fiscal affairs of the town, we will state that we have settled with Mr. Damon, the Collector and Treasurer, from time to time, and have kept a careful watch over the Treasury, and if we embody the different settlements, the account for the year will stand thus: That he has received during the past year, sixty-three thousand five hundred and ninety-two dollars and ninety-five cents, and has paid out sixty-three thousand two hundred and eighty dollars and fifty cents. Leaving in the treasury on the first of February only three hundred and twelve dollars and fifty cents. Thus it will be seen that we commence the fiscal year with a balance much smaller than usual. This arises from a doubtful policy adopted by the town, and from causes accidental or unforeseen. Last year we had a liberal balance on hand at the close of the year; and some persons seemed to take it for granted, that this balance would meet all contingencies, and hence heavy drafts were made upon it, so that the treasurer was under the necessity of having

recourse to loans as early as the first of April. And he has been under the necessity of borrowing to the amount of \$12,500. Another cause of producing this result is the doubtful policy of avoiding taxation, and straining up the valuation for the purpose of keeping down the rate of taxation, so as to invite emigration to the town. This policy is of a very doubtful tendency. In the first place, it is sure to increase our State and County taxes. It also operates unequally and discriminates against the agricultural interest which is depressed more than any other.

There are several other causes which have operated to deplete the Treasury. By a standing vote of the town, the Selectmen have been authorized for years to purchase gravel-pits for the repairs of the highways. We had an opportunity which we deemed favorable, and we obtained one of N. and J. Q. A. Chandler, at a cost of \$250. The County Commissioners were called upon to widen and straighten Waltham street, throughout its whole length. We considered it our duty to examine the premises in advance of the Commissioners, and see for ourselves what was required on that street; and we found what we anticipated, that the road location was sufficiently wide, and that the removing of brush and trees, which had been permitted to grow, and the stones which had been deposited, all within the limits of the road location, and the widening of the trod-way in some places, would meet the public demand; and in widening the road bed, we could cut down some abrupt rises, and thus make the road as good as is required. We presented our views to the Commissioners, who after a view, coincided with us; and on the assurance that the town would make these repairs, they agreed to suspend further action in the case. We have expended beyond the highway labor \$181, and have nearly completed the job, and have saved to the town, as we believe, more than twice that sum.

We also became satisfied that the increase, of disorder, mischief and depredations, required a lock-up in the easterly

section of the town, as it was very inconvenient in the night time, when these disturbances generally occurred, to take from the extreme part of the town, a turbulent prisoner to our existing place of confinement. We saw that in finishing the Adams Engine House, which the town had authorized, a suitable Lock-up could be constructed cheaper than in any other way; and we availed ourselves of the opportunity. This cost with the beds and furniture ordered by the town, about \$280. The town appropriated a sum, deemed sufficient to paint and furnish Adams Engine Hall, and procure a Hook and Ladder truck, but provided no means to pay for the same. This therefore was drawn from the Treasury, and added about \$1000 more to these items, which were unprovided for. The law-suit with Brown, late of the Poor House, cost us \$318. There is one subject more which we will mention; for we wish to lay our whole doings before our constituents. The Commissioners, some two years ago, were called on by a large number of petitioners to widen Main street from the Common to Woburn street; and by some informality the matter was delayed till the past summer. The town, on a notice from the Commissioners, had referred the whole subject to the Selectmen *with full powers*. The Commissioners had fixed the line to the satisfaction of all parties above the Town Hall; and the Selectmen, knowing the approaching Anniversary would require that the improvement about the Town Hall and Depot be made this season, so that the ground would be settled before the 19th of April, have deemed it wise to finish the work from Norris Block to the Town Hall. This improvement, which we considered necessary, cost \$225. There is one item more which we will mention which amounts to over \$1100 above the grant, that is the pauper bill. For some reason unknown to us, the pauper grant last spring, was reduced about that amount below the ordinary cost of that department; add to this the sum of \$500 appropriated for the Hancock schoolhouse. These items make an aggregate amount of

nearly \$4000, which will account for the small sum now in the Treasury.

But though the balance is small, we need not anticipate bankruptcy. There is some \$4500 uncollected which will be available in a short time, and about \$1500 which may be expected from the betterment tax, if the matter is properly managed. We know of no town improvement which will require any extra expenditures; and hence, we may reduce our ordinary appropriations the coming year, without any detriment to the public interest. But there is one subject which will engross the attention of our people and call for a generous pecuniary aid—we allude to the approaching centennial celebration. The Town of Lexington occupies a brighter page in history than any other town upon the continent. Though her population was small, she carefully watched the tide of events, and disciplining herself in the school of adversity, was prepared to meet coolly any danger that might arise. Under the guidance of her pious and patriotic priest, she not only prepared herself for the impending contest, but she encouraged, animated, and sustained others by her example and assurance that whatever others might do, she would stand firm in defence of liberty. With a sacred trust in God, Lexington, two years before the collision in arms, assured her sister towns that "*if the state of our affairs should require it, she should be ready to sacrifice her estates, and everything dear in life, yea, and even life itself, in support of the common cause.*"

Nor was this an empty boast. When the day arrived, Lexington was as good as her word. When eight hundred British Regulars, armed to the teeth, approached our village, and rushed upon a band of about fifty citizens, but poorly armed and disciplined, and commanded them to throw down their arms and disperse, this little Spartan band stood firm upon their own parade ground, and did not leave it till their ranks were decimated, and they were ordered to retire by their own commander. Nor did they leave the field till

CHARLES HUDSON, } *Selectmen*
L. S. PIERCE, } *of*
B. C. WHITCHER, } *Lexington.*

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DATE.	TO WHOM PAYABLE.	RATE OF INTEREST.	WHEN DUE.	AMOUNT.
Aug. 29, 1866...	Middlesex Savings Institution,	7 per cent. semi-annually	On demand,...	\$3,000 00
27, 1868...	O. & W. B. Smith,	6 " " annually	" "	2,000 00
July 31, 1868...	Trustees Lexington Ministerial Fund,	7 " " "	" "	3,000 00
Aug. 27, 1869...	Treasurer Cary Library,	7 " " "	On demand,	1,000 00
April 14, 1874...	George Holden,	7 " " "	April 14, 1882,	12,300 00
23, 1874...	Town of Lexington, Trustees Gammell Legacy.	7 " " "	On demand,	500 00

Total Town Debt, independent of Town Hall Loan,.....	\$21,800 00
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THE FOLLOWING IS THE LOAN FOR THE TOWN HALL AND SITE.

June 1, 1870...	State of Massachusetts,	{ 7 per cent. for first five years, and 6 per cent. thereafter, semi-annually. }	{ June 1, 1890,	\$10,000 00
July 1, 1870...	State of Massachusetts,	{ 7 per cent. for first five years, and 6 per cent. thereafter, semi-annually. }	{ July 1, 1890,	5,000 00
Aug. 1, 1870...	State of Massachusetts,	{ 7 per cent. for first five years, and 6 per cent. thereafter, semi-annually. }	{ Aug. 1, 1890,	5,000 00
Sept. 1, 1870...	State of Massachusetts,	{ 7 per cent. for first five years, and 6 per cent. thereafter, semi-annually. }	{ Sept. 1, 1890,	5,000 00
Feb. 28, 1871...	Treasurer of Cary Library,	{ 7 per cent. for first four years, and 6 per cent. thereafter, semi-annually. }	{ Feb. 28, 1887,	5,000 00

Total Town Hall Debt	\$30,000 00
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ASSESSORS' REPORT.

The Assessors present, in the following report, the amount of tax assessed on each individual for the year 1874; also, the valuation of real and personal estate of each person, together with the total valuation of real and personal property, amount of State and County tax, Town grants, and rate of taxation for 1874.

Names.	Poll Tax.	Highway Tax.	Value of Real Estate.	Tax on same.	Value of Personal Estate.	Tax on same.	Total Tax.
Adams, Geo. W.....	2	1 20	4,530	58 89	334	4 34	66 43
Adams, Abel B.....	2	1 20	7,000	91 00	275	3 58	97 78
Alderman, F.....	2	1 20	3,000	39 00	1,140	14 82	57 02
Adair Chas.....	2	1 20	20,905	271 77	474	6 6	281 13
Arnold, Mary A.....	2	....	1,200	15 60	....	....	15 60
Angier, Amos.....	2	1 20	1,350	17 55	6,000	78 00	98 75
Anderson, Thomas.....	2	1 20	1,180	15 34	40	52 00	19 08
Angier, Chas. D.....	2	1 20	....	....	800	10 40	13 60
Beals, John.....	2	1 20	3,400	44 20	2,110	27 30	74 70
Brigham, William.....	2	1 20	4,550	59 15	865	11 25	73 60
Brown, Benj.....	2	1 20	4,500	58 50	....	....	61 70
Bryant, A. W.....	2	1 20	4,700	61 10	700	9 10	73 40
Brown, Oliver.....	2	1 20	1,700	22 10	....	....	25 30
Buttrick, Isaac.....	2	1 20	2,460	31 98	80	1 04	36 22
Brown, Charles.....	2	1 20	6,500	84 50	....	....	87 70
Baker, W. W.....	2	1 20	15,200	197 60	200	2 60	203 40
Bacon, John D.....	2	1 20	9,000	104 00	162	2 11	109 31
Bowen, T. H.....	2	1 20	2,400	31 20	....	....	34 40
Buckley, Timothy.....	2	1 20	600	7 80	....	....	11 00
Buckley, Cornelius, heirs	2	....	400	5 20	....	....	5 20
Buckley, Daniel.....	2	1 20	1,070	13 91	440	5 72	22 83
Butters, Charles A.....	2	1 20	5,050	65 65	2,800	36 40	105 25
Brown, Eliab.....	2	1 20	2,500	32 50	....	....	33 70
Brown, John M.....	2	1 20	600	7 80	....	....	11 00
Bryant, R. T.....	2	1 20	6,325	82 23	1,200	15 60	101 03
Bryant, Edw. T.....	2	1 20	....	....	150	1 95	5 15
Blasdel, John C. heirs.....	2	....	35,500	461 57	350	4 55	466 12
Babcock, A. G.....	2	1 20	....	....	1,000	13 00	16 20
Ballard, Francis E.....	2	1 20	6,600	85 80	780	10 14	99 14
Brewer, Joseph N.....	2	1 20	11,360	147 68	630	8 19	159 07
Baxter, Edwin W.....	2	1 20	8,165	106 15	1,730	22 49	131 84
Bennett, James H.....	2	1 20	7,000	91 00	7,903	103 52	197 72
Batcheller, B. T.....	2	1 20	9,700	126 10	2,940	38 22	167 53
Bettinson, E. W.....	2	1 20	3,900	76 70	7,075	91 98	171 86
Bruce, Jane M.....	2	....	2,320	30 16	....	....	30 16
Bruce, Charles S.....	2	1 20	....	....	220	2 86	6 06
Brigham, H. B.....	2	1 20	13,200	171 60	46,130	599 69	774 49
Blanchard, C. H.....	2	1 20	4,820	62 66	1,490	19 37	85 23
Beverstock, H. F.....	2	1 20	1,850	24 05	152	1 98	29 23
Butterfield, Sidney.....	2	1 20	....	....	171	2 22	5 49

Names.	Poll Tax.	Highway Tax.	Val. of Real Est.	Tax on same.	Val. of Per. Est.	Tax on same.	Tot'l tax.
Butters, Sidney	2	1 20	2,800	36 40	...	...	39 10
Bacon, C. H.	2	1 20	2,250	29 25	65	85	33 30
Burton, Joseph	2	1 20	1,100	14 30	125	1 63	19 13
B. L. and N. Ex.	...	...	...	...	150	1 95	1 95
B. L. and N. R. R.	...	...	2,200	28 60	400	5 20	33 80
Bailey, Chellis B.	2	1 20	...	...	90	1 17	4 37
Bailey, Edw. B.	2	1 20	715	9 30	...	...	12 50
Bullock, Albert	2	1 20	3,530	45 89	420	5 46	54 55
Bullock, George	2	1 20	3,190	41 47	576	7 49	52 16
Blinn, Richard D.	2	1 20	45,450	590 85	3,935	51 16	645 21
Botcher, John H.	2	1 20	...	...	130	1 69	4 89
Buckley, John	...	...	1,635	21 26	...	...	21 26
Batchelder, John	...	...	13,790	179 27	480	6 24	185 50
Bullock, Albert E.	2	1 20	1,700	22 10	...	...	25 30
Bacon & Saville	...	...	493	6 41	...	...	6 41
Bryant & Osborn	...	...	340	4 42	...	...	4 42
Bryant, Sarah H.	...	...	...	...	2,000	26 00	26 00
Buttrick, Jonas M.	2	1 20	...	...	2,100	27 30	30 50
Cutler, Thomas	2	1 20	17,060	221 78	3,000	39 00	263 98
Cutler, Thomas E.	2	1 20	...	...	2,130	27 69	30 89
Cummings, Daniel	2	1 20	2,453	31 87	...	...	35 07
Childs, Augustus	2	1 20	3,020	39 26	1,938	25 35	67 81
Cogswell, Emily J.	...	...	3,325	43 23	...	...	43 23
Currier, W. J.	2	1 20	11,025	143 33	125	1 63	148 16
Cottrell, Asa	2	1 20	5,950	77 35	2,465	32 05	112 60
Crowley, Patrick, heirs	...	...	600	7 80	...	...	7 80
Cashman, Michael	2	1 20	1,300	16 90	...	...	20 10
Condin, James	2	1 20	600	7 80	...	...	11 00
Cary, Maria	...	...	39,395	512 14	2,390	31 07	543 21
Chapman, G. F.	2	1 20	4,165	54 15	2,335	30 36	87 71
Childs, Luke C.	2	1 20	13,200	171 60	165	2 16	176 96
Canerny, John	2	1 20	1,980	25 74	443	5 72	34 66
Capello, Curtis	2	1 20	4,000	52 00	...	...	55 20
Collins, Daniel	2	1 20	425	5 53	...	...	8 73
Caldwell, Chris.	2	1 20	2,675	34 78	460	5 98	43 96
Canphiel Patrick, heirs	...	...	1,350	17 55	...	...	17 55
Caffrey, Barney	2	1 20	950	12 35	52	68	16 23
Caffrey, Patrick	2	1 20	1,500	19 50	80	1 04	23 74
Chandler, Nathan	2	1 20	8,150	105 95	80	1 04	110 19
Chandler, J. Q. A.	2	1 20	7,150	92 95	500	6 50	102 65
Corea, Alexander	2	1 20	250	3 29	310	4 03	10 48
Crowley, James	2	1 20	2,175	28 28	500	6 50	37 98
Curran, Stephen	2	1 20	1,640	21 32	...	...	24 52
Curran, John	2	1 20	...	...	130	1 69	4 89
Chisholm, John	2	1 20	800	10 40	...	...	13 60
Cosgrove, Thomas	...	...	900	11 70	...	...	11 70
Cutter, George H.	2	1 20	2,450	31 85	...	...	35 05
Cutter, William R.	2	1 20	3,700	48 10	...	...	51 30
Choate, Thomas J.	2	1 20	4,750	61 75	415	5 40	70 35
Cary, Abigail	...	...	...	...	3,000	39 00	39 00
Cutler, A. D.	2	1 20	3,500	45 50	...	...	48 70
Crone, James E.	2	1 20	...	...	50	65	3 85
Cushing A. M.	2	1 20	1,200	15 60	...	...	18 80
Cummings, Silas L.	2	1 20	...	...	300	3 90	7 10
Crowley, Michael, heirs	...	...	2,450	31 85	...	...	31 85
Chandler, Sarah	...	...	...	...	1,800	23 40	23 40
Chandler, Elmira M.	...	...	...	...	1,000	13 00	13 00
Damon, Isaac N.	2	1 20	5,000	65 01	200	2 60	70 80
Damon, " Trustee	...	...	...	...	5,400	...	70 20
Damon, " Trustee	...	...	...	...	1,000	...	13 00
Damon, " as Guardian	...	...	...	...	1,200	...	15 60

Names.	Poll Tax.	Highway Tax.	Val. of Real Est.	Tax on same.	Val. of Per. Est.	Tax on same.	Tot'l tax.
Damon, Isaac N. Executor	...	...	...	...	...	...	9 10
Damon, Isaac N. Trustee	...	...	...	...	6,000	...	78 00
Davis, Horace B.	2	1 20	3,187	41 44	75	98	45 62
Davis, Anna C., heirs	...	...	1,650	21 45	...	...	21 45
Davis, John	2	1 20	2,100	27 30	...	...	30 50
Dow, Darius	2	1 20	2,450	31 85	300	3 90	38 95
Dudley, Samuel	2	1 20	6,190	80 47	965	12 55	96 22
Demar, John T.	2	1 20	1,745	22 69	30	39	26 28
Dupee, Elias	2	1 20	1,550	20 15	...	...	23 35
Doe, William W.	2	1 20	3,135	40 76	352	4 58	48 54
Dana, Otis H.	2	1 20	5,975	77 68	...	...	80 88
Daly, Patrick	2	1 20	2,050	26 65	510	6 63	36 48
Davis, George O.	2	1 20	8,350	108 55	...	...	111 75
Duren, Warren	2	1 20	6,725	87 43	6,625	86 13	176 76
Donoven, Daniel	2	1 20	1,465	19 05	240	3 12	25 37
Deneen, Edward heirs	...	...	1,000	13 00	...	...	13 00
Dennett, George B.	2	1 20	4,020	52 26	...	...	55 46
Dunn, Dennis	2	1 20	350	4 55	...	...	7 75
Davis, Betsey	...	...	...	...	1,490	19 37	19 33
Esterbrooks & Blodgett	4	2 40	17,595	226 14	6,175	80 28	312 82
Esterbrooks, Henry D.	2	1 20	1,225	15 93	100	1 30	20 43
Eaton, Joseph	2	1 20	4,500	58 50	...	...	61 70
Emery, James	2	1 20	2,450	31 85	...	...	35 05
Earl, Thomas H. heirs	...	...	900	11 70	...	...	11 70
Evans, Almon	2	1 20	...	...	1,500	19 50	22 70
Fitzpatrick, Patrick	2	1 20	1,890	24 57	135	1 76	29 53
Fitch, David	2	1 20	2,800	36 40	...	...	39 60
Fessenden, Nathan	2	1 20	4,335	56 36	1,650	21 45	81 01
Flint, George	2	1 20	1,500	19 50	400	5 20	27 90
Fiske, Timothy K.	2	1 20	2,800	36 66	40	52	40 38
Ford, Michael	...	...	1,000	13 00	...	...	13 00
Farmer, Lucretia	...	...	2,100	27 30	...	...	27 30
Fowle, Joshua B.	2	1 20	4,850	63 05	...	...	66 25
Foster James E.	2	1 20	5,050	65 65	360	4 68	73 53
Fletcher, Chas. G.	2	1 20	8,320	108 16	2,550	33 15	144 51
Fuller, George	2	1 20	2,800	36 40	285	3 71	43 31
Friend, Joseph	2	1 20	...	...	100	1 30	4 50
Farmer, Alfred A.	2	1 20	495	6 44	...	...	9 64
Flint, Nath'l. heirs	...	...	8,550	111 15	...	...	111 15
Foster, Seraph A.	...	...	...	...	1,200	15 60	15 60
Gleason, Josiah B.	2	1 20	6,430	83 59	3,925	51 03	137 82
Gleason, Benjamin	2	1 20	3,000	39 00	...	...	42 20
Gleason, William	2	1 20	3,120	40 56	90	1 17	44 93
Gleason, Edwin A.	2	1 20	1,000	20 80	50	65	24 65
Garmon, Nath'l.	2	1 20	2,000	26 00	514	6 68	35 88
Graham, Hugh	2	1 20	2,560	33 28	312	4 06	40 54
Gammell, Jonas estate	...	...	8,450	109 85	...	...	109 85
Gammell, Eben	2	1 20	16,000	20 80	...	...	24 00
Goddard, Alonzo	2	1 20	6,800	88 40	2,400	31 20	122 80
Gateley, Matthew	2	1 20	2,100	27 30	100	1 30	31 80
Goddard, Austin A.	2	1 20	12,240	159 12	...	...	162 32
Goodwin, Chas. C.	2	1 20	10,000	130 00	14,700	191 10	324 30
Gould, Mrs. C. W.	...	...	7,395	96 14	...	...	96 14
Gould, A. F.	2	1 20	120	1 56	167	2 17	6 43
Gould, Thomas, heirs	...	...	4,100	53 30	...	...	53 30
Gillman, Frank, heirs	...	...	500	6 50	...	...	6 50
Gerry, Elizabeth W.	...	...	400	5 20	...	...	5 20
Greenleaf, Thomas R.	2	1 20	150	1 95	1,000	13 00	18 15
Gillman, William	2	1 20	4,175	54 28	80	1 04	58 52
Goodwin, Alice D., and Amanda M. Prosser,	...	...	3,645	47 39	...	...	47 39

Names.	Poll Tax.	Highway Tax.	Val. of Real Est.	Tax on same.	Val. of Per. Est.	Tax on same.	Tot'l tax.
Geobeghan, Patrick	2	1 20	600	7 80			11 00
Griffiths, Albert	2	1 20			7,261	94 39	97 59
Hartwell, William	2	1 20	4,480	58 24	350	4 55	65 99
Hartwell, William W.	2	1 20	2,220	28 86			32 06
Henchy, Michael	2	1 20	875	11 38	195	2 54	17 12
Hawkins, Richard	2	1 20	695	9 04	75	98	13 22
Hadley, Benjamin	2	1 20	2,000	26 00	275	3 58	32 78
Harrington, David, heirs.	2	1 20	1,775	23 08			23 08
Harrington, F. M.	2	1 20	3,700	48 10	1,710	22 23	73 53
Harrington, Chas. heirs.	2	1 20	16,475	214 18	1,765	22 95	237 63
Harrington, Sylvester	2	1 20	7,400	96 20	1,190	15 47	114 87
Harrington, Eliz'h P. heirs	2	1 20	8,810	114 53			114 53
Hobart, Joshua	2	1 20	7,75	100 75	140	1 82	105 77
Holbrook, John L.	2	1 20	1,600	20 80			24 00
Holbrook, Rufus W.	2	1 20	4,200	54 60	1,700	22 10	79 90
Hovey, Thomas G.	2	1 20	4,050	52 65			55 85
Harrigan, Edward	2	1 20	775	10 08			13 28
Haly, Patrick	2	1 20	750	9 75			12 95
Hutchinson, Charles	2	1 20	650	8 45			11 65
Holmes, Howland	2	1 20	6,380	82 94	320	4 16	90 30
Hudson, John, heirs	2	1 20	5,900	76 70			76 70
Hudson, Charles	2	1 20	7,500	97 50	1,500	19 50	120 20
Hodgman, John E.	2	1 20	11,750	152 75	1,800	23 40	179 35
Houghton, Mary	2	1 20	2,500	32 50			32 50
Hendley, Wallace F.	2	1 20	500	6 50			9 70
Ham, William	2	1 20	8,850	115 05	2,400	31 20	149 45
Hendley, Samuel W.	2	1 20	8,875	115 38	585	7 61	126 19
Hayes, Michael	2	1 20	1,150	14 95			18 15
Hastings, Maria M.	2	1 20			5,000	65 00	65 00
Hall, David	2	1 20	11,200	145 60	1,340	17 42	166 22
Hanson, Horatio	2	1 20	2,400	31 20			34 40
Hastings, Sally	2	1 20	1,650	21 45			21 45
Huffman, Isaac, heirs	2	1 20	3,375	43 88			43 88
Harding, William	2	1 20	7,460	96 98	1,674	21 76	121 94
Hutchins, Emerson	2	1 20	6,070	78 91	700	9 10	91 21
Houghton, Samuel A.	2	1 20	2,675	34 78	180	2 34	40 32
Hadley, Sewell T.	2	1 20			300	3 90	7 10
Haskell, Samuel	2	1 20			75	98	4 18
Haseltine, John	2	1 20			1,850	24 05	27 25
Harrington, Abijah	2	1 20			700	9 10	12 30
Ham, Walter F.	2	1 20			300	3 90	7 10
Hargrove, William	2	1 20			12	16	3 36
Harrington, John	2	1 20			50	65	3 85
Hanford, Catherine	2	1 20			1,400	18 20	18 20
Irwin, John	2	1 20	4,590	59 67	380	4 94	67 81
Jewett, Darwin E.	2	1 20	12,800	166 40	400	5 20	174 80
Jewett, Gorham	2	1 20	1,600	20 80	2,750	35 75	59 75
Jewett, Caroline E.	2	1 20	5,790	75 27			75 27
Jewett, Henry	2	1 20	3,460	44 98	340	4 42	52 60
Jewett, George D.	2	1 20			275	3 58	6 78
Jewett, Fred P.	2	1 20			125	1 63	4 83
Johnson, Chas. W.	2	1 20	12,095	157 24	1,031	13 40	173 84
Jones, Samuel H.	2	1 20	4,860	63 18	715	9 30	75 68
Jones, George F.	2	1 20	6,400	83 20			86 40
Jameson, John	2	1 20	4,530	58 89	312	4 06	66 15
Jameson, George W.	2	1 20	1,070	31 91			17 11
Jefferson, Robert	2	1 20	1,050	13 65	290	3 77	20 62
Jenney, Nelson	2	1 20	3,900	50 70	1,250	16 25	70 15
Jackson, George	2	1 20	2,500	32 50			35 70
Kelley, Patrick	2	1 20	2,500	32 50	214	2 78	38 48
Kineen, Timothy	2	1 20	3,360	43 68	760	9 88	55 76

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Keefe, William	2	1 20	2,460	31 98	353	4 62	39 80
Kendall, Oliver W.	2	1 20	2,825	36 73	150	1 95	41 88
King, James	2	1 20	1,500	19 50			22 70
Kauiffman, Gustave	2	1 20			300	3 90	7 10
Kendall, Lucius H.	2	1 20	5,600	72 80	240	3 12	79 12
Keating, Patrick	2	1 20	1,080	14 04	40	52	17 76
Kendall, Stillman	2	1 20			260	3 38	6 58
Kneeland, F. H.	2	1 20			300	3 90	7 10
Kendrick, George W.	2	1 20			100	1 30	4 50
Lynam, Patrick	2	1 20	5,150	66 95			66 95
Locke, William	2	1 20	2,945	38 29	220	2 86	44 35
Locke, William, 2d.	2	1 20	3,350	43 55	150	1 95	48 70
Locke, Amos W.	2	1 20	6,320	82 16	1,052	13 68	99 04
Locke, Chas. heirs.	2	1 20	1,790	23 27			23 27
Locke, Amos	2	1 20	4,600	59 80	150	1 95	64 95
Locke, Rebecca, heirs	2	1 20	100	1 30			1 30
Locke, Nichols	2	1 20	4,100	53 30			56 50
Locke, Baldwin	2	1 20	10	13			3 33
Locke, George	2	1 20	200	2 60	1,500	19 50	25 30
Locke & Goddard	2	1 20			1,800	23 40	26 60
Lawrence, Sidney	2	1 20	7,080	92 04	2,547	33 11	128 35
Lawrence, Lyman	2	1 20			500	6 50	9 70
Lombard, A. F.	2	1 20	3,050	39 65	958	12 45	55 30
Lombard, James N.	2	1 20	1,700	22 10	75	98	26 28
Leary, John	2	1 20	1,650	21 45	40	52	25 17
Leary, William	2	1 20	1,820	23 66	470	6 11	32 97
Lowe, Chas. H.	2	1 20	3,200	41 60	1,200	15 60	60 40
Lahey, Thomas	2	1 20	1,200	15 60	40	52	19 32
Lawrence, Chas.	2	1 20	1,825	23 73			23 73
Lunt, A. M.	2	1 20	5,200	67 60			70 80
Leavitt, Alonzo	2	1 20	2,150	27 95			31 15
Legg, George M. D.	2	1 20			500	6 50	9 70
Lex. Ministerial Fund	2	1 20			17,934	233 14	233 14
Merriam, Matthew H.	2	1 20	20,050	260 65	15,970	207 61	47 46
Madill, Isaac	2	1 20	4,260	55 08	277	3 60	62 18
Megan, Michael	2	1 20	1,000	13 00			16 20
Manning, Timothy	2	1 20	1,290	16 87	280	3 64	23 61
Mitchell, Patrick	2	1 20	5,660	73 58	2,450	31 85	108 63
Moakley, James	2	1 20	5,250	68 23	710	9 23	80 68
Manly, Dennis	2	1 20	1,150	14 95			18 15
Manley, Michael & Mary	2	1 20	1,000	13 00	10	13	16 33
Munroe, W. H.	2	1 20	14,320	186 17			189 37
Munroe, James S.	2	1 20	7,965	103 55	1,060	13 78	120 53
Munroe, Alice B.	2	1 20	7,300	94 90			94 90
Millett, Abraham, heirs	2	1 20	4,800	62 40	8,200	106 60	169 00
Munroe, Theodore	2	1 20	7,400	96 20	850	11 05	110 45
Mulliken, E. A.	2	1 20	7,850	102 05	175	2 28	107 50
Munroe, George	2	1 20	23,940	311 22	3,290	42 77	357 19
Muzzey, Loring W.	2	1 20			300	3 90	7 10
Muzzey, George E.	2	1 20			100	1 30	4 50
Muzzey, David W.	2	1 20	20,725	269 43	220	2 86	275 49
Mulliken, Henry, heirs	2	1 20	4,355	56 62			56 62
Mandelburg, Carl	2	1 20			225	2 93	6 13
Mullen, Daniel	2	1 20	480	6 24	110	1 43	10 87
Morse, John N.	2	1 20	3,250	42 25			45 45
Merriam, Mary and Julia Stetson	2	1 20	33,675	437 78	14,920	193 96	631 74
Mooney, James	2	1 20	100	1 30			4 50
Mooney, John	2	1 20	300	3 90			7 10
Middlesex Central R. R.	2	1 20	2,000	26 00			26 00
Murphy, William	2	1 20			40	52	3 72

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Muzzey, Emily.....	2	1 20			1,100	14 30	14 30
Mills, Oliver P.....	2	1 20			2,500	32 50	35 70
McGuin, Hugh.....	2	1 20	2,704	35 15			38 35
McGuin, Frank.....	2	1 20			484	6 29	9 49
McCarty, John.....	2	1 20	1,690	21 97	404	5 25	30 42
McCarty, Bartholemew..	2	1 20	880	11 44	80	1 04	15 68
McDonald, Owen.....	2	1 20	1,725	22 43	25	33	25 96
McNamara, Dennis.....	2	1 20	1,100	14 30	155	2 02	19 52
McCann, James.....	2	1 20	400	5 20			8 40
Nunn, Chas.....	2	1 20	8,300	107 90	350	4 55	115 65
Nye, D. Cutts.....	2	1 20	6,200	80 60			83 80
Nugent, Daniel, heirs	2	1 20	825	10 73			10 73
Norris, John L.....	2	1 20	20,550	267 15	190	2 47	272 82
Nichols, Geo. W.....	2	1 20			200	2 60	5 80
Nash, Oran.....	2	1 20			200	2 60	5 80
O'Connell, Honora.....	2	1 20	9,775	127 08			127 08
O'Connell, Maurice.....	2	1 20			200	2 60	5 80
O'Brien, Morgan.....	2	1 20	1,050	13 65			16 85
O'Brien, Michael.....	2	1 20	1,200	15 60			18 80
O'Donnell, James.....	2	1 20			340	4 42	7 62
O'Conner, Michael.....	2	1 20	930	12 09			16 85
Powers, Patrick.....	2	1 20	1,340	17 42	62	81	21 43
Parker, Isaac, heirs.....	2	1 20	1,895	24 64			24 64
Parker, James.....	2	1 20	3,885	50 51	110	1 43	55 14
Parker, Geo. A. & Abigail	2	1 20	15,525	201 83	375	4 88	209 91
Parker, Chas.....	2	1 20	880	11 44			14 64
Parker, Chas. M.....	2	1 20	800	10 40	1,360	17 68	31 28
Parker, Frances J.....	2	1 20	125	1 65			1 65
Page, Grover A.....	2	1 20	2,600	33 80	80	1 04	38 04
Packard, Thomas H.....	2	1 20	5,210	67 73	629	8 18	79 11
Putnam, Chas.....	2	1 20	21,400	278 20	1927	25 05	306 45
Phelps, Geo. R.....	2	1 20	4,200	54 60	300	3 90	61 70
Phelps, William D.....	2	1 20	4,200	54 60			57 80
Phelps, W. D. & others..	2	1 20	3,600	46 80			46 80
Pierce, Harrison.....	2	1 20	1,300	16 90			20 10
Pierce, Loring S.....	2	1 20	3,700	48 10	900	11 70	63 00
Pierce, Nath' W.....	2	1 20	3,950	51 35			54 55
Pierce, Eben'r heirs.....	2	1 20	400	5 20			5 20
Powers, Peter.....	2	1 20	700	9 10			12 30
Pierce, Nathaniel.....	2	1 20	18,665	242 65	510	6 63	252 48
Pierce, Pelatiah P.....	2	1 20	11,860	154 19	350	4 55	161 94
Pierce, Frank D.....	2	1 20			150	1 95	5 15
Pierce, Willard C.....	2	1 20			375	4 88	8 08
Pierce, George L.....	2	1 20			300	3 90	7 10
Pierce, Geo. B.....	2	1 20	13,040	169 52	7,387	96 03	268 75
Patch, Franklin.....	2	1 20	6,950	90 35	460	5 98	99 53
Peters, John.....	2	1 20	1,220	15 86	40	52	19 58
Peters, Peter.....	2	1 0	875	11 38	180	2 34	16 92
Peters, Adam.....	2	1 20			800	10 40	13 60
Plummer, E. J.....	2	1 20	6,300	81 90			81 90
Plummer, William.....	2	1 20			40	52	3 72
Prosser, Levi.....	2	1 20	32,510	422 63	9,940	129 22	555 05
Piper, Elizabeth S.....	2	1 20	520	6 76			6 76
Preston, Marshall.....	2	1 20	4,600	59 80	3,000	39 00	102 00
Pryor, John.....	2	1 20	3,900	50 70			53 90
Phillips, Asaph W.....	2	1 20			1,500	19 50	22 70
Paine, Geo. S.....	2	1 20	4,590	59 67	390	5 07	67 94
Paine, Frank B.....	2	1 20	4,450	57 95	180	2 34	63 39
Robinson, Chas.....	2	1 20	5,700	74 10	4,500	58 50	135 80
Robinson, Geo. W.....	2	1 20	29,138	378 79	3,920	50 96	432 95
Ryan, John.....	2	1 20	1,650	21 45	40	52	25 17

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Robinson, Simon W. heirs	2	1 20	8,712	113 26	1,950	25 35	138 61
Ryan, Patrick.....	2	1 20	6,420	83 46	950	12 35	99 01
Ryan, Cornelius.....	2	1 20	2,725	35 43	40	52	39 15
Rogers, Geo. M.....	2	1 20	10,975	142 68	423	5 50	151 38
Rhoades, Thomas H.....	2	1 20	2,650	34 45	500	6 50	44 15
Reed, Joseph G.....	2	1 20	1,850	24 05	1,215	15 80	43 05
Reed, John P.....	2	1 20	8,320	108 16	4,400	57 20	168 56
Reed, J. Morton.....	2	1 20			901	11 71	14 91
Reed, John M.....	2	1 20	2,343	30 46	110	1 43	35 09
Raymond & Cottrell.....	2	1 20	5,630	73 19			73 19
Reed, R. W. & J. H.....	4	2 40	19,045	247 59	7,990	103 87	357 86
Reed, Isaac, heirs.....	2	1 20	40	52			52
Reed & Raymond.....	2	1 20	21,900	284 70			284 70
Reed, Hammon.....	2	1 20	32,801	426 42	14,805	192 47	622 09
Reed, H., Guardian.....	2	1 20			3,000	39 00	39 00
Raymond, F. F.....	2	1 20	4,300	55 90	14,640	190 32	249 42
Russell, John A.....	2	1 20	5,620	73 06	202	2 63	78 89
Russell, Warren E.....	2	1 20	6,950	80 35	1,100	14 30	107 85
Richardson, Joseph.....	2	1 20	8,940	116 22	490	6 37	125 79
Reardon, Jerry.....	2	1 20	850	11 05			14 25
Robbins, Cuira.....	2	1 20	7,025	91 33			91 33
Raynor, John J.....	2	1 20	9,700	126 10	975	12 68	141 98
Roberts, M. H.....	2	1 20	7,170	93 21	940	12 22	108 63
Rich, E. P.....	2	1 20			2,500	32 50	35 70
Richardson, C. R.....	2	1 20			150	1 95	5 15
Smith, William.....	2	1 20	8,600	111 80	1,000	13 00	128 00
Smith, Isaac B.....	2	1 20	3,400	44 0			47 40
Smith, Webster.....	2	1 20	12,780	166 14	2,374	30 86	200 20
Smith, Josiah.....	2	1 20	2,800	36 40	3,035	39 46	79 06
Smith, A. Bradford.....	2	1 20	3,100	42 90	2,000	26 00	72 10
Smith, Maria.....	2	1 20	2,700	35 10			35 10
Smith, William.....	2	1 20	1,450	18 85			22 05
Smith, William L. heirs..	2	1 20	5,275	68 58			68 58
Smith, O. & W. B.....	2	1 20	6,535	84 96	8,755	113 82	201 98
Smith, Abram B.....	2	1 20	2,737	35 58	325	4 23	43 01
Smith, Larkin.....	2	1 20	2,200	28 60			31 80
Smith, Everett E.....	2	1 20	3,400	44 20	3,000	39 00	86 40
Smith, Eben'r R.....	2	1 20			200	2 60	5 80
Smith, Geo. T.....	2	1 20	7,375	95 88	700	9 10	108 18
Smith, S. T.....	2	1 20	1,300	24 70	165	2 15	30 05
Smith, Geo. O.....	2	1 20			1,000	13 00	16 20
Smith, Levi J.....	2	1 20			100	1 30	4 50
Sumner, James D.....	2	1 20	6,100	79 30			82 50
Spaulding, Joseph.....	2	1 20	1,945	25 29	472	6 14	34 63
Spaulding, A. F.....	2	1 20	1,000	13 00	300	3 90	20 10
Spaulding, A. G.....	2	1 20	4,450	57 85	240	3 12	64 17
Spaulding, Lucy.....	2	1 20	5,300	68 90			68 90
Simonds, Joshua.....	2	1 20	4,354	56 61	3,500	45 50	105 31
Simonds, Eben'r, heirs..	2	1 20	13,360	173 68			173 68
Simonds, Geo. Jr.....	2	1 20	2,000	26 00			29 20
Simonds, Jos. F.....	2	1 20	3,850	50 05			53 25
Simonds, George.....	2	1 20	2,320	30 16	290	3 77	37 13
Simonds, Eli.....	2	1 20			3,000	39 00	42 20
Simonds, Henry L.....	2	1 20			2,148	27 92	27 92
Simonds, F. K.....	2	1 20			775	10 08	13 28
Savage, John.....	2	1 20	2,050	26 65			29 85
Stimson, Faustina F.....	2	1 20	3,250	42 25			42 25
Stone, Eben'r.....	2	1 20	12,840	166 92	7,610	98 93	269 05
Stone, Ellen A.....	2	1 20	24,350	316 55			316 55
Stearns, George for C. H.	2	1 20			300	3 90	3 90
Stearns.....	2	1 20					

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Stearns, George.....	1 20		5,030	65 39	620	8 66	76 65
Stearns, Geo. A.....	1 20				450	5 85	9 05
Stearns, Thomas.....	1 20				50	65	3 85
Stearns, Charlotte.....			3,120	40 63			40 63
Stevens, William, Heirs.....			4,400	57 20			57 20
Stetson, T. Merriam.....			1,250	16 25			16 25
Sherburne, Warren.....	1 20		4,200	54 60	21,490	279 37	337 17
Sherburne, Chas. W.....	1 20				3,940	51 22	54 42
Sherburne, Reuben B.....	1 20		2,600	33 80			37 00
Shepley, Albert.....	1 20		750	9 75			12 95
Sparhawk, George.....	1 20		20,600	267 80	1,130	14 69	285 69
Scaver, A. F. & E. A.....			4,000	52 00			52 00
Swan, Mary W.....			4,713	61 27			61 27
Swan, Gershom.....	1 20				260	3 38	6 58
Sanderson, W. L.....	1 20				240	3 12	6 32
Slack, George A.....	1 20		2,340	30 42	1,000	13 00	46 62
Stearns, Henry O.....	1 20				100	1 30	4 50
Scates, Dodorah.....	1 20				150	1 95	5 15
Scott, A. L.....	1 20		2,300	42 90			46 10
Scott, A. E.....	1 20				3,500	45 50	48 70
Shedd, Abraham B.....	1 20		4,820	62 66	500	6 50	72 36
Tidd, Chas.....	1 20		13,805	179 47	935	12 16	194 83
Tufts, Albert N.....	1 20		5,860	76 18	1,830	23 79	103 17
Tower, Thaddeus Heirs.....			7,330	95 29	340	4 42	99 71
Tower, Elisha.....	1 20		5,925	77 03	3,715	48 30	128 53
Tower, William A.....	1 20		31,000	403 00	8,555	111 22	517 42
Tucker, Chas. K.....	1 20		1,700	22 10			25 30
Tobin, John.....	1 20		2,080	27 03	40	52	30 77
Tyler, Edward L. Heirs.....			3,650	47 45			47 45
Tyler, Henry H.....	1 20				115	1 50	4 70
Tufts, Sarah A.....					2,500	32 50	32 50
Tuttle, David A.....	1 20		4,500	58 50			61 70
Thayer, Mrs. S. G.....			3,500	45 50			45 50
Taylor, Geo. W.....	1 20		3,250	42 25	3,250	42 25	87 70
Turner, Lucy P.....			3,000	39 00			39 00
Tirrell, J. P.....	1 20		5,000	65 00			68 20
Taylor, William S.....	1 20				550	7 15	10 35
Teele, Chas. E.....	1 20				50	65	3 85
Tower, Wm. A. & others.....			1,000	13 00			13 00
Viles, William.....	1 20		8,940	116 22	605	7 97	127 29
Vaughn, Chas.....	1 20		800	10 40			13 60
Wellington, Walter.....	1 20		4,500	58 50	310	4 03	65 73
Wellington, Henry A.....	1 20		2,150	27 95			31 15
Wellington, Geo. O.....	1 20		3,355	43 62	390	5 07	51 89
Wellington, Cornelius.....			21,485	279 31	2,596	33 75	313 06
Wellington, Francis.....	1 20		11,820	153 66	1,920	24 96	181 82
Wellington, Rebecca.....					2,500	32 50	32 50
Walcott, Willard.....	1 20				1,340	17 42	20 62
Whaland, Patrick.....	1 20		2,140	27 82	670	8 71	39 73
Wright, Elisha H.....	1 20		1,275	16 58	75	98	20 76
Wright, George H.....	1 20		1,350	17 55	450	5 85	26 60
Wright, Luke W.....	1 20		8,050	104 65	1,000	13 00	120 85
Whitcher & Saville.....	1 20				4,490	58 37	61 57
Whitcher, Bradley O.....	1 20		7,600	98 80	125	1 63	103 63
Winship, Oliver, Heirs.....			9,610	124 93			124 93
Winship, Chas. F.....	1 20				720	9 36	12 56
White, Patrick.....	1 20		1,600	20 80			24 00
Wentworth, Otis.....	1 20		6,050	78 65	1,875	24 38	106 23
Wetherell, Lorin.....	1 20		3,675	47 78			50 98
Wood, David.....	1 20		5,750	74 75	40	52	78 47
Wood Brothers.....	2 40				1,500	19 50	25 90

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Wood, Maria E. D. & J. L.....	1 20		3,600	46 80			50 00
Wyman, Francis.....	1 20		3,950	51 35	6,000	78 00	132 55
Whitman, Mary F.....			5,350	69 55			69 55
Webber, James H.....	1 20		3,750	48 75	590	7 67	59 62
Willis, Royal B.....	1 20		6,300	81 90			85 10
Wing, L. J.....	1 20		2,450	31 85			35 05
Wetherbee, Chas.....	1 20		7,425	96 53	944	12 27	112 00
West, Chas. T.....	1 20		2,500	32 50			35 70
Wheelwright, Samuel H.....	1 20				10,000	130 0	133 20
Worthley, Mary J.....					300	3 90	3 90
Wright, James H.....	1 20				400	5 20	8 40
Westcott, Henry.....	1 20				500	6 50	9 70
White, A. E.....	1 20				1,100	14 30	17 50
Whiting, David.....			9,400	122 20			122 20
Whiting, Geo. O.....	1 20				450	5 85	9 05
Whittier, Isaac F.....	1 20		3,958	51 45	100	1 30	55 95
Whittaker, Abram.....	1 20		5,325	71 83	800	10 40	85 43
Wright, Stephen.....	1 20		4,600	59 80	824	10 71	73 71

NON-RESIDENTS.

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ARLINGTON.					
Bartlett, Lewis P.....	403	5 37			5 37
Cutter, Elijah.....	150	1 95			1 95
Eaton, Timothy.....	575	7 48			7 48
Frost, Jonathan.....	360	4 68			4 68
Frost, Seth.....	625	8 13			8 13
Fowle, John, Heirs.....	300	3 90			3 90
Fessenden, N. M. Heirs.....	375	4 88			4 88
Fiske, P. B.....	2,800	36 40			36 40
Hall, Isaac.....	45	59			59
Hall, Thomas.....	490	6 37			6 37
Leonard, Martin.....	530	6 89			6 89
Maloney, John.....	500	6 50			6 50
Pierce, John W.....	2,238	29 09			29 09
Robbins, Nathan.....	5,500	71 50			71 50
Russell, James S.....	135	1 76			1 76
Russell, Bowen.....	180	2 34			2 34
Winship, O. M.....	2,175	28 28			28 28
Russell, Jeremiah.....	150	1 95			1 95
Winn, Albert.....	2,437	31 68			31 68
Walker, N. B.....	7,510	97 63			97 63
Arlington, Land Co.....	100	1 30			1 30
Osborn, John.....	14,755	191 82	2,395	31 14	222 96
ASHBURNHAM.					
Locke, Amos R.....	500	6 50			6 50
AYER.					
Stearns, Julia P.....	600	7 80			7 80
BELMONT.					
Chenery, Winthrop W.....	980	12 74			12 74
Fletcher, J. V.....	105	1 37			1 37
Frost, Silas.....	300	4 68			4 68

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BELMONT.					
Frost, Mary.....	45	59			59
Frost, Henry.....	441	5 73			5 73
Hill, H. Y. & T. D.	165	2 15			2 15
Locke, Isaac, Heirs.....	125	1 63			1 63
Wellington, Chas. Heirs..	1,200	15 60			15 60
Winn, Chas. G. Heirs.....	435	5 66			5 66
BEDFORD.					
Billings, John D. Heirs...	180	2 34			2 34
Brennan, Thomas.....	50	65			65
Hosmer, Mary A.	400	5 20			5 20
Lane, Jonathan, Heirs...	63	82			82
Mudge, W. W.	840	10 92			10 92
Meriam, John A.	245	3 19			3 19
Stiles, Thomas.....	325	4 23			4 23
Navville, John.....	187	2 43			2 43
Hartwell, W. G.	310	4 03			4 03
Fiske, O. W.	3,600	46 80			46 80
Skelton, Edw'd D.	270	3 50			3 50
BOSTON.					
Bisbee, Thomas.....	5,500	71 50			71 50
Bowman, Sylvester.....	18,175	236 28	3,315	43 10	279 38
Brown, Francis.....	8,800	114 40			114 40
Bos. & Lex. Paint Co.	5,515	71 70			71 70
Fines, Norris.....	6,775	88 08			88 08
Miller, David.....	1,565	20 35			20 35
Munroe, Otis.....	390	5 07			5 07
Hayes, Francis B.....	31,725	412 43	3,359	43 67	456 10
Slocumb, W. H.	7,300	94 90			94 90
Carruth, Nathan.....	5,200	67 60			67 60
Morse, H. A.	3,680	47 84	100	1 30	49 14
Thurston, Caleb.....	12,045	156 59	1,272	16 54	173 13
Lynch, Mrs. Chas.	35	46			46
Winslow & Usher.....	14,000	182 00			182 00
Atkins, E. F.	200	2 60			2 60
CAMBRIDGE.					
Chapman, Mrs. H. B.	2,025	26 33			26 33
Chapman, K. W.	5,000	65 00			65 00
Harrington, Jeremiah....	3,700	48 10			48 10
Phelps, Samuel B.	75	98			98
Read, William.....	7,300	94 90			94 90
Rindge, Samuel B.	11,150	144 95			144 95
Marrett, Lorenzo Guardi- an to A. P. Richardson...	20,575	267 48	10,000	130 00	397 48
Wheelock, Samuel A.	675	8 78			8 78
CHARLESTOWN.					
Cutter, Samuel, Heirs....	75	98			98
Boardman, J. L.	8,490	110 37	660	8 58	118 95
Southworth, Thomas.....	3,380	43 94			43 94
CONCORD.					
Hatch, Darius J.	2,080	27 04			27 04
Parks, Schuyler, Heirs...	420	5 46			5 46
DOVER.					
Bacon, Aaron.....	400	5 20			5 20

Names.	Val. of Real Est.	Tax on same.	Val. of Per. Est.	Tax on same.	Tot'l tax.
LINCOLN.					
Benjamin, W. O.	3,850	50 05			50 05
Brown, Chas.	1,513	19 67			19 67
Nelson, George.....	320	4 16			4 16
Sousa, Mrs. Manuel F.	10	13			13
LANCASTER.					
Divoll, Mary R.	500	6 50			6 50
LOWELL.					
Maloney, John	815	10 60			10 60
NEWTON.					
Porter, Edw'd F.	12,338	160 39	1,840	23 92	184 31
SOMERVILLE.					
Cutler, James R.	230	2 99			2 99
Fogg, Alonzo.....	880	11 44			11 44
Rogers, Oliver P.	3,700	48 10			48 10
Williams, James.....	1,240	16 12			16 12
SHIRLEY.					
Munson, N. C.	1,010	13 13			13 13
WILMINGTON.					
Simonds, Otis.....	2,605	33 87			33 87
WALTHAM.					
Bennett, Archelus.....	950	12 35			12 35
Brodwick, Martin.....	450	5 85			5 85
Buttrick, Francis.....	4,560	59 28			59 28
Elwell, James.....	30	39			39
Farnum, John.....	4,220	54 86			54 86
Fillebrown, Abiel.....	1,220	15 60			15 60
Griffin, Joseph.....	400	5 20			5 20
Jameson, Alden.....	1,310	17 03			17 03
Stearns, Amos	625	8 13			8 13
Wellington, Chas.	1,210	15 73			15 73
WOBURN.					
Winning John, Heirs.....	3,080	40 04			40 04
Parker, Henry, Heirs....	375	4 88			4 88
Parker, Oliver H. Heirs..	735	9 56			9 56
Randall, James M. Heirs.	2,330	30 29			30 29
Cutler, Maria C.	852	11 08			11 08
Page, Catherine.....	500	6 50			6 50
WATERTOWN.					
Cutler, Silas, Heirs.....	12,000	156 00			156 00
WINCHESTER.					
Hutchinson, Thos. Heirs.	772	10 04			10 04
Locke, Asa, Heirs.....	3,843	49 96			49 96
Locke, Jonathan.....	615	8 00			8 00
NEW YORK.					
Holbrook, Edw.	3,700	48 10			48 10

VALUATION, MAY 1ST, 1874.

Resident owners of Real Estate,	\$2,057,943 00
Non-resident owners of Real Estate,	312,787 00
Resident owners of Personal Estate,	551,903 00
Non-resident owners of Personal Estate,	23,791 00

Total Valuation, \$2,946,424 00

State Tax,	\$3,000 00
County Tax,	2,052 89
Town Grants,	34,510 00
Overlayings,	1,080 68
	<hr/>
	\$40,643 57

Total amount of tax assessed, \$40,643 57

Whole number of Polls, 731.

We would recommend the sum of Four Hundred Dollars for the expense of this department for the ensuing year.

Some complaint has been made as to our high valuation of Real Estate. We venture the opinion, that our valuation is lower than in towns adjoining or in our immediate vicinity, with possibly two or three exceptions, and we repeat the admonition given last year, *look out for the appropriations*; by attending to the *cause* of high taxation, less dissatisfaction will be felt with the *result*.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. SIMONDS,
WALTER WELLINGTON,
LEONARD A. SAVILLE. } *Assessors*
for
1874.

STATISTICS.

YEAR.	POPULA- TION.	NUMBER OF POLLS.	VALUATION.	RATE OF TAX.	TOWN GRANT.	STATE TAX.	COUNTY TAX.
1800	1,006	219	\$356,052	\$8 00 on \$1,000	\$12,952 87	\$497 50	\$1,449 22
1810	1,052	304	310,967	8 00 "	12,075 81	605 00	1,760 47
1820	1,200	306	231,369	9 50 "	14,830 00	3,636 00	1,494 06
1830	1,543	368	247,466	10 00 "	12,915 00	4,848 00	1,494 06
1840	1,642	489	561,549	15 00 "	19,397 00	4,848 00	1,492 02
1850	1,893	522	1,869,453	16 50 "	18,530 00	8,319 00	1,283 51
1860	2,329	581	1,762,145	14 00 "	18,110 00	5,310 00	1,407 35
1861	2,329	615	1,762,037	15 50 "	17,660 00	8,850 00	1,576 24
1862	2,329	592	1,745,644	14 00 "	23,315 00	3,540 00	1,632 53
1863	2,329	624	1,832,344	12 50 "	19,839 00	4,425 00	1,800 41
1864	2,329	558	1,687,348	13 50 "	24,275 00	4,425 00	1,801 41
1865	2,223	585	1,670,963	16 00 "	31,746 00	4,425 00	1,801 41
1866	2,223	598	1,701,655	16 00 "	35,390 00	3,000 00	1,739 67
1867	2,223	601	1,770,438	13 00 "	41,875 00	3,375 00	1,922 72
1868	2,223	620	1,999,137		35,590 68	3,000 00	2,052 89
1869	2,223	609	1,966,876				
1870	2,377	629	2,254,831				
1871	2,377	618	2,324,750				
1872	2,389	638	2,536,011				
1873	2,296	706	2,863,285				
1874	2,435	731	2,946,424				

The valuation prior to 1840 was made on a basis different from that on which it has since been made.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

BIRTHS

Registered in Lexington from Jan. 1, 1874, to Jan. 1, 1875.

Whole number of Births, 40; Males 21; Females 19.

BIRTHPLACE OF PARENTS.

Massachusetts,	25	British Provinces,	1
Other States,	10	England,	1
Ireland,	41	Prussia,	2

MARRIAGES

Registered in Lexington from Jan. 1, 1874, to Jan. 1, 1875.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
January 1,.....	Edwin P. Bryant,..... Ellen W. Osborn,.....	Lexington. Arlington.
January 21,.....	Geo. W. Greenwood,..... Emma I. Fletcher,.....	Groton. Lexington.
January 29,.....	John Leary,..... Bridget Halpine,.....	Lexington.
February 10,	John Lennon,..... Anna Hargrove,.....	Lexington.
February 18, ...	E. P. Rich,..... Mary B. Guthrie,.....	Lexington.
March 10,.....	Waterman Cummings,	Illinois.
	Clara B. Sylvester,.....	Woburn.
April 15,.....	James J. Sullivan,..... Hannah Keleher,	Lexington.
April 16,.....	Thomas Gorman,	Lexington.
	Hannah Devany,.....	
April 22,.....	Bela B. Bailey,	Lexington.
	Minnie Grey,.....	Belmont.
April 29,.....	Elisha H. Tower,..... Ann Eliza Mulliken,.....	Lexington.

MARRIAGES.—Continued.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
May 2,.....	Michael O'Connor,..... Bridget Murphy,	Lexington. Arlington.
May 14,	Alfred S. Wright,..... Edna A. Hussey,.....	Boston. Waltham.
May 30,.....	Albert M. Blake,..... Annable M. Reed,	Lexington.
June 3,.....	Howard M. Taylor,..... Alice Thomas,.....	Everett. Charlestown.
June 4,.....	Patrick White, Jr.,..... Margaret Kelley,.....	Lexington. Arlington.
June 10,.....	Frank E. Wetherell,..... Abbie Arlotta Batcheller,.....	Lexington.
July 4,.....	J. Willard Russell,..... Cleora F. Ranney,.....	Arlington. St. Johnsbury, Vt.
August 19,.....	Dodorah Scates,..... Emily G. C. Odiorne,.....	Lexington.
September 10,...	George W. Fountain,..... Annie Donahoe,.....	Cambridge. Lexington.
September 17,...	John R. True,..... Sarah E. Whitney,.....	Lexington. Farmington, Me.
September 30,...	John T. Stetson,..... Clara M. Simonds,.....	Boston. Lexington.
October 29,.....	Otis M. Gove,..... Nellie M. Lovewell,.....	Lexington.
November 12, ...	George P. Barrett,	Concord.
	Sarah A. Wright,.....	Lexington.
December 5, ...	Albert Bond,..... Sarah C. Kinney,.....	Lexington.
December 8,.....	Willard W. Turner,..... Jane A. Locke,.....	Foxboro. Lexington.
December 16,...	A. F. Spaulding,..... Catherine M. Johnson,	Lexington.
December 23,...	Eli Combs,..... Mary C. McFee,	Richford, Vt. Nova Scotia.
December 25,...	Elisha Waid,..... Ellen Fitzgerald,.....	Magog, C. E. Nova Scotia.
December 31,...	F. W. Staples,..... Mary H. Doe,.....	Medford Lexington.

Whole number of Marriages, 29. Both American, 19. Both Foreign, 5. American and Foreign, 5.

DEATHS

Recorded in Lexington from Jan. 1, 1874, to Jan. 1, 1875.

DATE.	NAMES.	AGE.			PLACE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF BIRTH.
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days.		
1874.						
Jan'y	6 Samuel Bridge,	77		25	Lexington.	Lexington.
"	6 Georgiana Thurston,	13	4	2	"	"
"	11 Mary Ellen Goodwin,			1	"	"
"	12 Mary G. Fiske,	78	3		"	Eliot, Me.
Feb'y	5 Euoch Dyer,	93	11	14	"	"
March	5 Hannah Goodwin,	80			"	Portsm'th, NH
"	7 Mabel F. Walcott,	8	8	6	"	Waltham.
"	12 Mary Joy,	68			"	Ireland.
"	12 Maggie McEnroe,	16			"	Boston.
"	12 Nathaniel Flint,	68			"	N. H.
"	13 Rachel Estabrook,	76			"	"
"	20 Mary W. West,	25	4	18	"	W. Cambridge.
"	22 Henry Mulliken,	55	7	6	"	Lexington.
"	24 Elizabeth Wellington,	82	8		"	Waltham.
"	25 John Hudson,	88		7	"	Cohasset.
"	31 John Fogg,	83	3		"	"
April	4 Alice S. Haskell,	16			"	Maine.
"	14 Edward Dinean,	65			"	Ireland.
"	14 Oliver Winslip,	79	5	6	"	Lexington.
"	30 Sally Morell,	88	8	28	"	Sherborne.
May	7 Maria McCormack,	40			"	Ireland.
"	15 Samuel Wadsworth,	78	11	15	"	Winthrop, Me.
"	24 Francis H. Capelle,	29	8	18	"	Lexington.
"	26 Albert Spaulding Nichols,	1	9	2	"	"
"	26 Mary Crowley,	92			"	Ireland.
June	21 Albert F. Lombard,	43	11	21	"	Otisfield, Me.
July	18 Mary Dellinger,	70			"	Charlestown.
"	18 Joshua Simonds,	73	1	14	"	Lexington.
"	15 Anne Howe,	75	4		"	"
"	22 Hannah Fillebrown,	57	1	20	"	"
Aug.	2 Martha Ella Russell,	23	8	15	Woburn.	"
"	10 Jane Ryan,	3	3	2	Lexington.	"
"	10 Addie Amy,	31			"	Granville, Vt.
"	18 Hattie Cummings,		5	5	"	Woburn.
"	18 Campbell McIntire,	42	8	12	"	Toronto, Can.
"	19 Michael Keleher,	1	8	17	"	Waltham.
Sept.	13 Sally Hastings,	73	8		"	Lexington.
"	4 Charles E. Vaughan,	2	6	22	"	Boston.
"	16 Hannah Smith,	70			"	W. Cambridge.
"	21 Josephine L. H. White,	15	6	16	"	Lexington.
Oct.	1 Abigail Wright,	55	10	14	"	"
"	19 Hepzibah Hunt,	65	6	3	"	Concord.
Nov.	1 Lyman S. Dupée,	40	8	14	"	Lexington.
"	2 Marshall Preston,	82	4	28	"	Bedford.
"	10 Georgie A. Munroe,	24	10		"	Lexington.
"	11 Hannah R. Furgerson,	83			"	Westford.
"	19 Joseph Chandler,	45	3	21	"	Lexington.
"	23 Anna M. Simonds,	25	8		"	"
"	27 Warren E. Russell,	60	3	19	"	Keene, N. H.
Dec.	13 Aaron P. Richardson,	83	4	21	"	Methuen.
"	18 Roger Atkins Westcott,	1	3	5	"	Lexington.

Whole number of Deaths,	51
Males,	22
Females,	29
Number over 70 years of age,	20

DISEASES.

Pneumonia,	6	Heart Disease,	3
Scarlet Fever,	2	Paralysis,	6
Congestion of Lungs	3	General Debility,	2
Consumption,	6	Old Age,	3
Cholera Infantum,	2	Unknown,	2
Asthma, Bronchitis, Cancer, Concussion of Brain, Brights Disease of Kidneys, Dysentery, Dropsy, Diphtheria, Cholera Morbus, Hemorrhage, Influenza, Inflammation of Bowels, Lock Jaw, Water on Heart, Water on Brain, Whooping Cough, 1 each.			

Compiled from Town Records.

LEONARD A. SAVILLE, *Town Clerk.*

DOGS.

Number of Dogs licensed for 1874,	186
Amount of Tax returned to County Treasurer,	\$364.80
Number of Town Histories sold from Mar. 11, 1874, to Jan. 31, 1875.	30

LEONARD A. SAVILLE, *Town Clerk.*

CARY LIBRARY.

The Trustees of Cary Library report that the number of bound volumes in the Library January 31, 1875, was 4197. Of these 597 were added during the past year, 433 by purchase, and 164 by donations. The names of the donors are: Hon. Charles Hudson, 97 vols.; American Unitarian Association, 26 vols.; Smithsonian Institute, 21 vols.; Rev. E. G. Porter, 15 vols.; J. L. Parker, Esq., Woburn, 1 vol.; C. Fessenden, Esq., Fitchburg, 1 vol.; Rev. E. S. Elder, 1 vol.; Rev. H. Westcott, 2 vols. The number of volumes taken from the Library during the past year, was 15,056, making the circulation about 25 per cent. greater than that of the previous year. At the annual examination, the Library was found in good condition, with no books lost. As a new catalogue is necessary for the convenience of those using the Library, one has been prepared, and will be ready for distribution probably by March 1. The Trustees recommend an appropriation by the town, sufficient to meet the expense of the new catalogue.

HENRY WESTCOTT,
For the Trustees.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer of Cary Library debits himself as follows:

Note of the Town of Lexington, Aug.	
29, 1868, 7 per cent.,	\$1,000 00
Note of the Town of Lexington, Feb.	
28, 1871, 7 per cent.,	5,000 00
Deposit in Lexington Savings Bank,	100 00
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1874,	59 82
“ received—Fines,	36 00
“ “ —Town Appropriation,	40 00
“ “ —Dog Tax,	193 29
“ “ —Interest on Notes,	420 00
	\$6,849 11
And credits himself with payments	
on account of books,	\$ 664 96
On account of expenses,	12 95
By Notes and Deposit Book,	6,100 00
By Cash on hand at date,	71 20
	\$6,849 11

A. E. SCOTT, *Treasurer.*

February 1, 1875.

CONSTABLE'S REPORT.

The Constable for the year ending Feb. 1, 1875, begs leave to submit the following report:—

The whole number of arrests,	27
For Drunkenness,	19
“ being Disorderly,	5
“ Theft,	2
“ Obstructing Doorways,	1
	— 27
Tramps furnished lodgings,	20

The force, for this branch of public service, consisted, for the past year, of one constable and two special police, who received fifty (50) dollars each for their work. It is my opinion that the compensation named is far from adequate when the labor required is taken into consideration. The hours for active duty have been limited to the evening and a small portion of the night. In order to fully protect public property—a want seriously felt in view of the numerous burglaries committed—officers should be on duty all night, and sufficient compensation voted therefor. Any provision short of this is a useless waste of money. A night watch of a sufficient number should be employed, who should patrol the streets all through the evening and night. I would recommend the establishment of such a force, with an appropriation of fifteen hundred (1500) dollars, or, an abolishment of the police entirely. In case the town should see fit to authorize the appointment of such a force, I should recommend that it be organized by the choice of a Chief, who should superintend the same, and upon whose approval alone, all bills, incurred by the department, should be paid.

During the year, a record book has been procured for the registry of all persons arrested and committed to the lock-up.

Respectfully,

ELI SIMONDS, *Constable.*

REPORT OF THE ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

LEXINGTON, FEB. 1, 1875.

The Engineers of the Fire Department hereby submit to the town the following statement of the public property in their hands, and also a statement of what they deem to be the wants of the Department for the coming year, together with a list of the fires from Feb. 1, 1874, to Feb. 1, 1875.

The Hancock and Adams Engines need painting to secure their preservation. This would cost probably about \$150. The Hook and Ladder room in the Adams Engine house requires a different flooring, either of plank or cement, and it is desirable to have the sides and ceiling sheathed or plastered. It seems absolutely necessary that some provision be made for storing the Babcock Fire Extinguisher.

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY.

AT ADAMS ENGINE HOUSE, NO. 1.

1 Engine & Hose Carriage.	2 pipes for Hose.
700 feet of Leading Hose.	1 Strainer.
4 lengths Suction Hose.	4 Axes.
5 pairs Overalls.	2 Stoves and Funnel.
7 Oil Cans.	1 Shovel.
13 Spanners and 4 Belts.	6 Sponges.
7 Lanterns.	50 Dippers.
1 Feather Duster.	50 Spoons.
2 sets of Harness.	1 ton of Coal.

AT HANCOCK ENGINE HOUSE, NO. 2.

1 Engine & Hose Carriage.	450 feet Leading Hose.
1 Babcock Fire Extinguish'r	4 lengths Suction Hose.
2 Stoves.	1 Fire Rope.
10 Spanners.	6 Torch Lights.
11 Belts.	1 set Harness.
4 Lanterns.	3 Axes.
1 Shovel.	5 Oil Suits.
1 Bar.	1 Jack.
3 Oil Cans.	1 Wrench.
2 Sponges.	5 Buckets.
1 Feather Duster.	7 Settees.
2 Brushes.	1 Fire Hook.
1 Lamp.	

Number of fires the past year:—April 3, Pierce's Hill, in the woods. April 12, House and Barn of Jonas Gammell. May 9, Woods of D. E. Jewett. June 5, House of S. Wright.

WILLIAM HAM,
BENJ. HADLEY,
JOSEPH F. SIMONDS, } *Engineers.*

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS' REPORT.

The Surveyors of Highways for the year ending January 31, 1875, submit the following report:—

The expenditures have been for the repairs of Highways and the removal of snow, \$4,976 26

And there has been received for labor of men and horses, which has been paid into the Treasury, the sum of 160 33

Leaving, to be met by the appropriation, the amount of \$4,815 93

The Highway property consists of 3 horses, 3 carts, 2 snow ploughs, 3 cart harnesses, 2 lead harnesses, picks, shovels, bars, drills, &c., the appraised value of which is \$775 25

We would recommend for the repair of highways and the removal of snow the present year, the sum of Five Thousand Dollars.

ELI SIMONDS, } *Surveyors*
N. L. BRYANT, } *of*
J. F. SIMONDS, } *Highways.*

OVERSEER'S REPORT.

The Overseers of the Poor of Lexington, for the year ending Jan. 31, 1875, submit the following report:

Valuation of personal property Feb. 1st, 1875,	\$2,335 57
Valuation of personal property Feb. 1st, 1874	1,801 93
Increase in value of personal property	\$533 64
Amount paid for the support of poor	\$3066 02
Less the increase of personal property	533 64
	<hr/> \$2,532 38
Received from income of farm	\$1108 96
	<hr/> 1423 42
Paid on account of outside poor	687 04
Cost of support at the House	\$736 38
There has been furnished to paupers at the Almshouse 308 weeks board, at a cost per week of	\$2 39
Whole number of paupers at the Almshouse during the year	310
Of this number there remained but one night	299
Average number at the House	6

The Board of Overseers would advise that the system pursued for the past two years be continued in relation to the

management of the Farm, for the reason that the town now has a Farm of some twenty acres, more or less, of as good land for farming purposes as any in town, and one which, in our opinion, can in a very short time, with a small outlay, be made capable of supporting the House without much aid from the treasury. We do not believe it good policy for the town to own a farm and let it run to waste, as they have done for the last ten years. If it is a benefit for any one to improve their lands, it certainly is for the town. We have for the past year been under the necessity of making some outlay in order to facilitate the operations on the farm, believing in the maxim "That if you do not sow you must not expect to reap." The buildings on the farm are all in good repair and from present appearances will need but very little done to them for some time.

We would also state that more room is needed for storage and other purposes, as the product of the farm will be very much increased the present year. We would recommend that an addition be made to the barn and cellar of twenty-four feet, the probable cost of which will be about six hundred dollars.

The property at the Almshouse consists of one horse, two cows, one hundred and thirty-five hens, twelve swine, wagons, sleds, plows, hammers, &c. The value of property in the House is \$1,249.62, consisting of provisions on hand, beds, bedding and furniture that is needed in the house, the details being fully carried out in the inventory.

There is due the town for milk, &c., \$65, which will probably be paid.

The difference in the amount of farm income, which exists between our account and that of the Auditor's, is due to the fact that produce to that amount was sold and merchandise bought with the proceeds, and neither transaction reported to the Town Treasurer.

The aid furnished outside of the House is large, and by the

change in the laws in regard to the settlement of paupers will be likely to be very much increased.

We would recommend that the sum of \$1,500 be raised for the support of the poor the present year.

ELI SIMONDS,	}	<i>Overseers of Poor.</i>
N. L. BRYANT,		
J. F. SIMONDS,		

REPORT ON THE CEMETERIES.

LEXINGTON, FEB. 9, 1875.

The Committee on Cemeteries have little to report, except to state the condition of the funds at our disposal. In our last report we stated that we had at our disposal \$214.72, and that there was a considerable sum uncollected; nearly all of which has now been paid; which with the sum paid for new lots taken last year, amounts to \$209.50. The expenses of the past year have amounted to \$68.35. When this is deducted from the amount collected, it will leave \$141.15; this sum added to the amount reported last year, gives \$355.87. This sum is faithfully secured, most of it being deposited in the Savings Bank.

The question has arisen with us how this money should be expended. What has disfigured the yards more than anything else, are the weeds and wild grass, which springs up in all parts of the yard, and especially in the lots where the soil is moved and manured. We have concluded that our first duty was to keep the yard free from this disfigurement. We have caused both cemeteries to be carefully mowed, the principal cemetery twice. The trouble of mowing in the enclosures and among the monuments must be obvious and is expensive. This with the labor of setting the bounds at the corners of the lot, has constituted the principal expense, though we have allowed a commission on col-

lections. If we had a sufficient fund, or if each person would take care of his own lot, we could do something more to beautify the yard. But as it is, we do not see as much improvement can be made, except what is done by individuals. And we are happy to see more or less improvements made every year by the owners of lots.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES HUDSON,

By Order of the Committee.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

RINGING CHURCH BELLS.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed in 1874,		\$ 70 00
Amount expended,	\$ 50 00	
Balance unexpended	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$70 00

EXPENDITURES.

J. F. Ham, Oct. 1873, to April 1, 1874,	\$ 15 00
G. Chisholm, May 1, 1873 to May 1,	
1874.	35 00
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	\$ 50 00

CARY LIBRARY.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed in 1874,	\$430 00	
Dog tax for 1873,	193 29	
	<hr/>	\$ 623 29
Amount expended	\$517 20	
Balance unexpended,	106 09	
	<hr/>	\$ 623 29

EXPENDITURES.

A. E. Scott, amount of dog tax,	\$193 29
M. S. Keyes, librarian,	203 91
A. E. Scott, Treasurer, on account,	40 30
W. L. Hunt, book case and table,	80 00
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	\$517 20

FIRE EXTINGUISHER.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated in 1874,	\$1,000 00
Amount expended,	\$765 33
Balance unexpended,	234 67
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	\$1,000 00

EXPENDITURES.

N. E. Fire Extinguisher Co., one Babcock,	\$750 00
American Fire Extinguisher Co., supplies,	15 33
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	\$765 33

Above appropriation not included in assessment of taxes.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed in 1874,	\$800 00
Excess of expenditure,	240 83
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	\$1,040 83

EXPENDITURES.

Charles Brown, services,	\$13 00
Hancock Eng. Co., 40 men to May 1, 1874.	400 00
J. W. Peirce, coal,	5 00
G. A. Page, use of horse,	7 00
W. F. Ham, care Hancock Engine to Oct 1, 1873,	12 50
J. Callahan care Hancock Engine to May 1, 1874,	17 50
Adams Engine Co., 38 men to May 1, 1874,	380 00
Adams Engine Co., rent of hall	85 60
Oliver Brown, steward,	30 00
J. W. Peirce, coal,	11 00
Hadley's express, expressing,	11 15
Hunneman, & Co., repairing hose,	2 75
Hadley & Wright, feather duster,	5 00
H. H. Tyler, repairs,	3 00
C. A. Mandelberg, repairs,	1 50
R. W. Holbrook, oil,	2 70
William Ham, engineer,	10 00
Benj. Hadley, engineer,	10 00
S. W. Hendley, engineer,	10 00
A. G. Babcock, alcohol and oil,	4 50
Witcher & Saville, oil, wick and soda,	18 63
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	\$1040 83

SEXTON.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed in 1874,	\$75 00
No expenditures,	

TOWN CLERK.

Appropriated and assessed in 1874,	\$ 90 00
Amount expended,	79 50
Balance unexpended	10 50
	<hr/> \$ 90 00

EXPENDITURES.

L. A. Saville, services to Jan. 31, 1875,	\$45 00
" " recording births,	20 00
" " " marriages	4 35
" " " deaths	7 10
" " stamps and sundries	3 05
	<hr/> \$79 50

MISCELLANEOUS.

EXPENDITURES.

O. W. Kendall, services as Sexton and returning deaths to Jan. 31, 1874,	\$ 51 50
L. G. Babcock, balance for services as Town Clerk, 1873,	10 00
L. G. Babcock, returning births, marriages and deaths,	39 15
Joshua Hobart, constable from Aug. 1873 to Feb. 1, 1874,	25 00
Charles Tidd, school committee to March 1, 1874,	90 00
I. N. Damon, services as treasurer, 1873,	200 00
L. A. Saville, auditor, 1873,	22 00
F. E. Wetherell, " "	15 00
O. P. Mills, " "	8 00
Asa Cottrell, professional services on Hancock street,	10 00
	<hr/> \$ 470 65

The foregoing bills were paid from the general fund, there being no appropriations to meet the same. The Treasurer's account under this head, calls for \$1,782 60, which includes expenditures as follows: Rebel gun grant, \$202 45; Rental of town halls, \$709 50; Prosser gravel pit, \$400 00. These three items we have charged to their respective accounts.

CONSTABLES AND POLICE.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed in 1874,	\$250 00
Excess of expenditure,	78 20
	<hr/> \$328 20

EXPENDITURES.

C. T. Worthley, services,	\$ 6 50
J. A. Mitchell, "	46 25
A. L. Ball, "	44 00
T. H. Bowen, "	96 00
O. W. Kendall, "	7 00
Geo. E. Babcock, "	60 00
Eli Simonds, "	53 45
Joshua Hobart, "	15 00
	<hr/> \$328 20

INTEREST AND DISCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and Assessed in 1874,	\$4,500 00
Interest on Taxes, 1873, overdue,	95 99
Gammell Legacy, interest,	6 25
Interest on Taxes, 1874, overdue,	61 35
	<hr/> \$4,663 59
Amount expended,	\$3,943 49
Balance unexpended,	720 10
	<hr/> \$4,663 59

EXPENDITURES.

State Treasurer, interest,	\$1,750 00
Middlesex Ins. for Saving, interest,	210 00
First National Bank, Boston, interest,	30 92
Treasurer Cary Library, interest,	420 00
George Holden, interest,	1,048 27
O. & W. B. Smith, interest,	120 00
Trustees Lex. Min'l Fund, interest,	210 00
Emily Muzzey, interest,	72 50
Middlesex Fire Ins. Co., interest,	81 80
	<u>\$3,943 49</u>

EAST VILLAGE ENGINE HOUSE IMPROVEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated in 1874,	\$3,500 00
Excess of expenditure,	44 05
	<u>\$3,544 05</u>

EXPENDITURES.

John J. Williams, Bishop, church property,	\$2,250 00
D. A. Tuttle, stock and labor,	1,247 50
L. S. Pierce, paid for labor,	46 55
	<u>\$3,544 05</u>

Above appropriation not included in
assessment of taxes.

SPECIAL ENGINE HOUSE GRANT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated, Nov. 3, 1874,	\$700 00
Excess of expenditure,	130 16
	<u>\$830 16</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Jesse Bacon, masonry,	\$ 20 00
W. O. Haskell & Son, furniture,	255 74
D. A. Tuttle, labor and stock,	243 87
Tucker Mfg. Co., gas fixtures,	94 27
Murdock & Co., fixtures,	12 60
L. S. Pierce, sundries,	4 40
Flint Bros., curtains and fixtures,	28 15
Wm. Locke, 2nd, masonry and stock,	50 35
O. Brown, painting,	88 00
Alonzo Goddard, sundries,	32 78
	<u>\$830 16</u>

Above appropriation not included in
assessment of taxes.

HANCOCK SCHOOL HOUSE IMPROVEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated Dec, 14, 1874,	\$500 00
Excess of expenditure	01
	<u>\$500 01</u>

EXPENDITURES.

A. L. Ball, labor and stock,	\$ 54 35
J. S. Merriam, painting,	19 00
G. Swan, masonry and stock,	6 10
C. T. Worthley, expressing,	6 00
W. G. Shattuck, furniture,	311 63
Flint Bros, curtains, &c.,	12 90
W. O. Haskell & Son, furniture,	5 50
J. L. Hammett, sundries,	13 85
M. C. Warren, hardware,	1 00
	<u>\$430 33</u>

Amount carried forward,

\$430 33

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$430 33	
Knight, Adams & Co., slates,	5 60	
Geo. W. Nichols, clock,	10 00	
J. A. Swazey, black boards,	34 68	
Peters & Jones, basket,	5 00	
W. T. Ham, books,	4 60	
Hannah Canfield, cleaning,	4 80	
M. O'Brien, " "	5 00	\$500 01

Above appropriation not included in assessment of taxes.

ASSESSORS.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874,	\$400 00	
Excess of expenditure,	9 17	\$409 17

EXPENDITURES.

J. F. Simonds, services, 1874,	\$105 00	
" " copying valuation,	45 00	
L. A. Saville, services,	99 00	
" " expressing,	1 00	
W. Wellington, services,	105 00	
G. F. Morgan, recording, etc.,	20 92	
John L. Parker, printing,	15 25	
A. R. Gay & Co., stationery,	5 00	
F. M. Harrington, horse hire,	13 00	\$409 17

CENTENNIAL.

No appropriation.

EXPENDITURES.

John L. Parker, printing for Committee,	\$ 6 75
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EAST VILLAGE LOCK-UP.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated Nov. 3, 1874,		\$ 50 00
Amount expended,	\$ 18 35	
Balance unexpended,	31 65	\$ 50 00

EXPENDITURES.

John Holman & Co., blankets,	\$ 8 00
Hallett & Co., excelsior mattresses,	4 00
Eli Simonds, sundries,	6 35
	<u>\$18 35</u>

Above appropriation not included in assessment of taxes.

GUIDE BOARDS AND STREET SIGNS.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874,		\$100 00
Amount expended,	\$ 97 50	
Balance unexpended,	2 50	\$100 00

EXPENDITURES.

L. G. Babcock, lettering 30 street signs,	\$22 50
L. G. Babcock, lettering fifteen guide boards,	17 00
O. W. Kendall, lettering 5 guide boards,	3 75
" " setting posts, etc.,	54 25
	<u>\$ 97 50</u>

TOWN FLAGS.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874,	\$150 00
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EXPENDITURES.

R. M. Yale, 2 flags,	\$150 00
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DECORATION DAY.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874,	\$100 00
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EXPENDITURES.

O. B. Darling, Q. M. Post 119, G. A. R.	\$100 00
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874,	\$300 00
Amount expended,	\$235 00
Balance unexpended,	65 00
	<hr/> \$300 00

EXPENDITURES.

C. A. Wellington, services 1874,	\$ 90 00
A. E. Scott, " "	90 00
" " " as Sec. and	
Treasurer,	25 00
F. M. Harrington, carriage hire	30 00
	<hr/> \$235 00

AUDITORS.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874,	\$ 45 00
No expenditures	

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874,	\$300.00
No expenditures.	

REBEL GUN GRANT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated Nov. 3, 1874,	\$220 00
Amount expended,	\$202 45
Balance unexpended,	17 55
	<hr/> \$220 00

EXPENDITURES.

Mowry & Phillips, one gun,	\$183 76
Charles Hudson, placing same and	
sundries,	18 69
	<hr/> \$202 45

Above appropriations not included in
assessment of taxes.

RENTAL OF TOWN HALLS.

RECEIPTS.

From Feb. 1, 1874 to Feb. 1, 1875,	\$636 00
In latter part of 1873,	73 50
	<hr/> \$709 50

NOTE:—By vote of the town, the rentals are
paid to the Statue Fund.

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Charles Hudson, Treasurer Statue
Fund, receipts from Nov, 4, 1873, to
Feb. 1, 1875.

\$709 50

STREET LAMPS.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874, \$900 00
Excess of expenditure, 107 43
————— \$1,007 43

EXPENDITURES.

R. J. Elliott, 70 lamps,	\$737 14
J. S. & W. H. Munroe,, 4 lamps,	33 28
W. A. Tower, 2 "	16 28
N. W. Peirce, 1 lamp, (2 years),	20 75
C. H. Underwood, 1 lamp,	6 50
E. R. Smith, 1 "	3 40
W. B. Hadley, 6 "	75 80
Larkin Smith, 1 "	7 25
N. Garmon, 1 "	11 00
A. Childs, 1 "	10 20
G. Kaufman, 1 "	9 00
David Hall, 1 "	11 25
R. W. Holbrook, 1 "	11 05
E. S. Spaulding, 1 "	7 00
Oliver Brown, 1 "	12 75
Eli Simonds, 1 "	10 50
Geo. Stearns, 1 "	11 00
N. W. Jenney, 1 "	10 80
Whitcher & Saville, oil,	2 48
—————	\$1,007 43

STATE AID.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874,	450 00	
Received from State,	435 63	
	—————	\$885 63
Amount expended,	\$440 00	
Balance,	445 63	
	—————	\$885. 63

EXPENDITURES.

Mary Manly,	13 months,	\$104 00
Jas. A. Mitchell,	12 "	54 00
Emily Earle,	12 "	48 00
G. A. Page,	13 "	78 00
Thos. Burke,	12 "	60 00
Wm. Nicholson,	12 "	48 00
Lydia Kenneston,	12 "	48 00
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		\$440 00

PROSSER GRAVEL PIT.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874,	\$400 00
Levi Prosser, gravel,	\$400 00

STATE TAX.

Assessed by the State for 1874,	\$3,000 00
Paid State Treasurer,	\$3,000 00

COUNTY TAX.

Assessed by the county, 1874,	\$2,052 89
Paid County Treasurer,	\$2,052 89

DRAINAGE.

Amounts assessed as betterments as per Auditor's report, Feb. 10, 1874, page 60,	\$4,222 17	
Expense incurred subsequent to the above and previous to Oct. 1, 1874, details of which are given below,	179 25	
Total cost to be assessed,	4,401 42	
Cash received from betterments,	116 34	
	<u> </u>	\$4,285.08

EXPENDITURES.

John Vaughn,	labor,	\$ 23 00
Jas. Farrell,	"	24 50
L. J. Smith,	"	7 50
F. O. Neil,	"	16 50
D. Dow,	"	7 00
W. Gleason,	" and team,	27 00
Joshua Hobart,	" " "	69 00
Whitcher & Saville, tools,		4 75
		<u> </u>
		\$179 25

BOW STREET.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874,	\$50 00
Amount expended,	46 50
Balance unexpended	3 50
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	\$50 00

EXPENDITURES.

N. L. Bryant,	labor,	\$ 6 00
M. Driscoll,	"	4 00
E. E. Smith,	"	4 00
F. Chaloner,	"	4 00
Harrison Peirce.	"	4 50
J. Crowley,	"	4 00
W. Murphy,	"	4 00
F. Gaffaney,	"	4 00
J. Emery,	"	4 00
Highway surveyors, labor and team,		8 00
		<u> </u>
		\$ 46 50

MAPLE STREET (Finishing).

EXPENDITURES.

N. L. Bryant,	labor,	45 00
M. Driscoll,	"	30 00
E. E. Smith,	"	30 00
F. Chaloner,	"	28 00
Harrison Peirce,	"	33 75
J. Crowley,	"	30 00
W. Murphy.	"	30 00
F. Gaffaney,	"	26 00
J. Emery,	"	28 00
Highway surveyors, labor and team,		60 00
		<u> </u>
		\$ 340 75

Amount expended on the above, 1873, 1,164 12

 \$1,504 87

Original appropriation, \$1,500

FLINT STREET (Finishing).

EXPENDITURES:

W. L. Sanderson, grading	\$155 00	
James King, land damage,	14 00	
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	169 00	
Amount expended on above, 1873,	200 00	
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		\$369 00
Original appropriation, \$420 00.		

HANCOCK & ADAMS STREETS.

No Appropriation.

EXPENDITURES.

Wm. Welch, contract. \$762 00

ADAMS STREET (Finishing).

No Appropriation.

EXPENDITURES.

J. F. Simonds,	labor,	\$24 00	
Wm. Murphy,	"	16 00	
Harrison Peirce,	"	18 00	
E. E. Smith,	"	16 00	
F. Chaloner,	"	16 00	
J. Crowley,	"	16 00	
J. Emery,	"	16 00	
F. Gaffney,	"	16 00	
N. Shea,	"	16 00	
Highway Surveyors, labor & teams,		25 33	
G. Swan,	drain pipe,	26 40	
Whitcher & Saville, nails,		1 20	
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			\$206 93

BILLS PAYABLE.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and Assessed for 1874 for reduction of Town Debt.	\$2,000 00
Received from Concord Road, (Voted towards the debt.)	2,000 00
Borrowed, Middlesex Fire Ins. Co.,	5,000 00
" 1st Nat'l Bank, Boston,	3,000 00
" George Holden,	4,500 00
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	\$16,500 00
Amount Expended,	\$15,100 00
Balance,	1,400 00
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	\$16,500 00

EXPENDITURES.

Geo. Holden, note Feb, 1, 1870,	\$2,000 00
" " " July, 11, 1871,	1,800 00
" " " Sept. 28, 1871,	200 00
Emily Muzzey, note Aug, 10, 1868,	1,100 00
Middlesex Fire Ins. Co, temporary loans,	5,000 00
First Nat'l Bank, Boston, temporary loans,	3,000 00
Geo. Holden, temporary loans,	2,000 00
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	\$15,1000 00

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Appropriated and Assessed for 1864,	\$600 00
No expenditures.	

HIGHWAYS.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and Assessed for 1874,	\$5,000 00
Received for labor on Maple St.,	60 00
Received for labor on Bow St.,	8 00
Received for labor on other streets,	92 33
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	\$5,160 33

Amount expended,	\$4,976 26
Balance unexpended,	184 07
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	\$5,160 33

EXPENDITURES.

A. Childs, grain, etc.	\$ 77 92
Whiteher & Saville, "	134 37
C. A. Butters & Co. "	131 85
R. W. Holbrook, "	116 22
Wm. Ham, smithing.	83 02
F. H. Kneeland, "	36 28
H. P. Webber, "	50 09
J. Smith, "	3 50
J. A. Russell, "	24 62
L. Lawrence, repairing.	36 30
Wm. Brigham, "	3 62
J. Chisholm, "	5 25
Gershom Swan, drain pipe,	7 92
W. W. Baker, gravel,	4 20
C. W. Johnson, gravel,	5 60
H. J. Hastings, stamp,	5 50
Ames Plow Co., tools,	6 18
Alonzo Goddard, sundries,	1 78
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Amount carried forward, \$734 22

Amount brought forward, \$734 22

A. Childs, drain pipe,	24 06
Charles Lowe, stone posts,	2 00
Parker & Gannett, tools,	5 50
A. G. Spaulding, posts,	8 70
Walter Bates, concreting,	50 00
L. C. Childs, gravel,	7 00
C. Caldwell, "	9 80
N. Fessenden, "	17 50
Wadsworth, Sawyer & Co., lumber,	8 70
D. McNamara, use of derrick,	2 00
Dodge, Gilbert & Co., tools,	10 84
F. M. Harrington, carriage hire,	5 00
John L. Parker, printing,	2 50
Irving Locke, "	2 00
Eli Simonds, labor,	243 25
J. F. Simonds, "	206 75
N. L. Bryant, "	223 90
Wm. Murphy, "	229 00
N. Shea, "	271 90
F. Gaffney, "	276 50
P. Joy, "	64 50
J. Crowley, "	235 50
E. E. Smith, "	274 00
F. Chaloner, "	271 00
James Emery, "	254 00
Harrison Peirce, "	324 55
J. McKenzie, "	249 53
J. G. Reed, "	86 56
James Farrell, "	20 00
S. Puffer, "	2 50
T. H. Bowen, "	13 00
F. Sanderson, "	40 00
Wm. Sanderson, "	95 00
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Amount carried forward, \$4,271 26

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$4,271 26
M. Connor,	labor,	35 00
D. Dow, teaming,		14 50
J. P. Reed,	labor,	7 35
M. O'Brien,	"	4 00
L. J. Smith,	"	10 00
Joshua Hobart,	"	19 00
Jerry Reardon,	"	3 00
Jos. Spaulding,	"	8 80
George Thurston,	"	24 00
George A. Slack,	"	9 40
C. F. Winship,	"	5 00
Thos. Cahill,	"	6 00
D. Mullen,	"	22 75
Hiram Clarke, teaming,		3 00
P. Mansfield,	labor,	37 00
M. Doyle,	"	2 00
A. B. Smith,	"	2 00
J. H. Wright,	"	2 75
H. H. Tyler,	"	2 00
M. Driscoll,	"	3 00
J. Shea,	"	38 00
Benj. Gleason,	"	2 50
J. D. Bacon,	"	1 50
Amos Angier,	"	3 00
R. T. Bryant,	"	8 00
F. Patch,	"	70
P. Doyle,	"	5 00
Jas. Gorman,	"	13 00
Overseers of the Poor, labor,		412 75
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		\$4,976 26

SUPPORT OF THE POOR.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874,	\$1,500 00
From highway surveyors,	412 75
Cash returned and produce sold,	658 48
Excess of expenditure,	494 75
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EXPENDITURES.

Whitcher & Saville, sundries,	\$263 27
C. A. Butters & Co., "	155 39
A. Childs, "	126 96
R. W. Holbrook, "	114 65
C. H. Lowe, meat,	112 61
J. E. Hodgman, "	72 39
H. Locke, "	7 85
E. Holden & Son, "	7 32
J. Gross, "	3 64
E. Keefe, fish,	33 58
B. D. Sweet, flour,	21 37
U. S. Creamolin Co.; butter,	8 24
Wm. Harding, pigs,	24 96
Foster, Weeks & Co., potatoes,	6 60
Hovey, Butler & Co., "	25 00
Turner & Shaw, coal,	60 00
A. F. Gould, tomato plants,	1 50
E. S. Spaulding, "	1 50
Geo. W. Nichols, sundries,	4 00
E. H. Brabrook, furniture,	30 03
L. F. Lawrence, stationery,	3 50
E. P. Rich, clothing, etc.,	36 96

Amount carried forward, \$1,121 32

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$1,121 32</i>
G. W. Taylor, sundries,	44 73
H. S. Byerrum, pasturage,	23 00
J. Chisholm, harness work,	4 50
L. Lawrence, " "	2 49
W. A. Lane, 1 double harness,	21 00
W. Ham, smithing,	29 94
F. H. Kneeland, "	10 00
J. A. Russell, "	4 00
J. Smith, "	8 25
A. Goddard, hardware,	8 00
Locke & Goddard, hardware,	40 22
P. Peirce, manure,	33 00
Wm. Brigham, wheelwrighting,	29 00
Town of Lexington, dog license,	2 00
D. Wetherbee, plaster,	4 75
J. Breck & Sons, tools,	2 50
Parker & Gannett, "	5 85
Ames Plow Co., "	2 44
W. H. Smith, paint,	3 25
C. T. Worthley, express,	3 91
A. G. Babcock, sundries,	9 05
J. Graves, cake scrap,	1 33
E. H. Luke & Son, grain,	2 10
Thomas Lahey, straw,	18 62
P. Powers, "	11 87
G. Swan, lime,	1 00
F. M. Harrington, horse hire,	3 00
B. L. & N. R. R. Co., freight,	25
Jos. Skinner, sled,	40 00
Peter Harrington, plowing,	6 00
Eli Simonds, services,	50 00
Eli Simonds, travelling expenses and food furnished,	21 75

Amount carried forward,

\$1,569 12

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	<i>\$1,569 12</i>
J. F. Simonds, services,	44 00
N. L. Bryant, "	35 00
J. A. McKenzie, labor,	16 40
N. Shea, "	6 00
H. Gilbert, "	1 50
P. Powers, "	10 50
E. R. Smith, "	4 00
H. S. Byerrum, "	2 00
Mrs. R. F. Dodge, care of Estabrook and Dyer,	10 00
L. McKenzie, care of Estabrook,	18 00
J. McKenzie, care of Dyer,	1 50
H. Holmes, medical attendance,	21 00
O. W. Kendall, burial expenses E. & D.	48 35
R. F. Dodge, services of self and wife,	578 34
R. F. Dodge, sundries,	13 27
	<u>\$2,378 98</u>

FOR OUTSIDE POOR.

Aid furnished J. Logan and family,	\$128 96
" " W. R. Hawkins,	180 13
" " Mrs. Purcell,	154 70
" " Lydia Estabrook,	16 00
" " Mrs. Capel,	9 50
" " L. Gleason,	52 00
" " M. Egan,	86 00
" " Newall Reed,	19 50
" " Mrs. M. Doyle,	4 75
" " Mrs. J. Doyle,	4 75
" " Mrs. McGrath,	4 75
" " Mrs. Kenneston,	8 00
Paid J. Hobart, travelling expenses,	8 00
J. W. Peirce, coal,	10 00
	<u>\$687 04</u>
	<u>\$3,066 02</u>

SCHOOLS.

INSTRUCTION, FUEL AND CARE OF ROOMS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874. \$10,100 00
 $\frac{3}{4}$ State School Fund, 1874, 181 55

REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS.

Appropriated and assessed for 1874, \$ 2,400 00
 $\frac{1}{4}$ State School Fund, 1874, 60 52

Excess of expenditure, \$12,742 07
 17 27

Amount expended on School Grant, \$10,237 76
 On Grant for Repairs, 2,521 58

\$12,759 34

NOTE.—Feb. 3d, 1874, after the Treasurer had closed his year he paid to Mr. A. E. Scott, the State School Fund for 1873, amounting to \$166 84, which was used to pay bills of 1873, and was credited to the School account of last year. This accounts for the difference between our figures and those of the Treasurer.

ADAMS SCHOOL.

From School Grant.

Silas Peabody, instruction, \$1,250 00
 " " care of building, 75 00
 Gertrude Peirce, instruction, 500 00
 C. F. Fiske, " 450 00
 Julia Abbott, cleaning, 10 00
 Mrs. Kane, " 1 00
 Mrs. Hart, " 1 23
 C. Capel, moving seats, 7 50
 M. H. Roberts, wood, 5 00
 E. S. Spaulding, " 7 00
 J. W. Peirce, coal, 103 50

\$2,410 23

From Grant for Repairs, &c.

Silas Peabody, books, etc., \$ 7 27
 L. G. Babcock, " 2 40
 A. L. Ball, labor and stock, 30 08
 F. J. Adams, repairs, 18 00
 Locke & Goddard, furnace and fixtures, 368 54
 A. W. Hastings & Co, outside windows, 21 50
 H. C. Hingley, labor and stock, 38 64
 A. Childs, sundries, 2 10
 W. T. Ham, books, 2 80
 C. Kingman, repairing pump, 4 50

\$495 83

BOWDITCH SCHOOL.

From School Grant.

Ada M. Frost, instruction, \$500 00
 Rebecca E. Hill, cleaning, 10 00
 Frank Whittemore, care of room, 10 00
 W. A. Chapman, " " 6 00
 C. D. Angier, cutting wood, 5 00
 G. F. Chapman, wood, 23 00
 A. G. Spaulding, " 9 50
 J. W. Peirce, coal, 17 00

\$580 50

From Grant for Repairs, &c.

A. L. Ball, labor and stock, \$ 7 03
 C. T. Worthly, express, 75
 L. G. Babcock, books, 2 78
 Chas. D. Angier, labor, 12 80

Amount carried forward, \$23 36

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$23 36	
T. K. Fiske, glazing,	5 25	
W. G. Shattuck, furniture,	27 96	
D. A. Tuttle, labor and stock,	82 88	
C. A. Butters & Co., sundries,	95	
Whitcher & Saville, sundries,	2 70	
W. T. Ham, books,	1 35	
Knight, Adams & Co., slates,	3 50	
Ginn Bros., chart and easel,	9 25	
James Merriam, painting,	2 50	
		\$159 70

FRANKLIN SCHOOL.

From School Grant.

Mary E. Thompson, instruction,	\$500 00	
" " care of room,	20 00	
J. McCarty, labor,	4 00	
Thomas Anderson, "	3 25	
M. H. Roberts, wood,	6 25	
J. W. Peirce, coal,	17 00	
		\$550 50

From Grant for Repairs, &c.

John McCarty, sundries,	\$ 4 00	
L. G. Babcock, books,	1 40	
M. E. Thompson,	1 74	
W. T. Ham, books,	2 17	
A. C. Stockin, books,	12 00	
		\$21 31

HANCOCK SCHOOL.

From School Grant.

O. A. Flint, instruction,	\$1,050 00	
Ellen B. Lane, "	500 00	
Fannie A. Hutchinson, "	450 00	
Nellie E. Harrington, "	30 00	
Eli Simonds, care of building,	93 00	
Hannah Canfield; cleaning,	9 24	
C. Gorman, "	1 67	
B. Desmond, "	4 41	
J. W. Peirce, coal,	133 50	
		\$2,271 82

From Grant for Repairs, &c.

Alonzo Goddard, furnace and fixtures,	\$237 49	
Locke & Goddard " " "	266 04	
A. L. Ball, labor and stock,	27 91	
Gershom Swan, " " "	2 75	
Knight, Adams & Co., slates,	2 80	
Caleb Kingman, repairing pump,	4 00	
Nichols & Hall, slate pencils,	1 44	
J. L. Hammett, erasers,	3 00	
Ginn Bros., music chart,	10 25	
W. G. Shattuck, furniture,	65 10	
C. T. Worthley, express,	80	
Estate of Henry Mulliken, repairs,	2 37	
W. T. Ham, books,	3 30	
L. G. Babcock, "	7 90	
Gilbert Cutting, tuning piano,	2 00	
Jas. S. Merriam, painting,	63 87	
School Committee, trees,	2 00	
Whitcher & Saville, duster,	2 87	
D. A. Tuttle, labor and stock,	114 29	
		\$820 18

HIGH SCHOOL.

From School Grant.

A. E. White, instruction,	\$1,950 00	
Louisa M. Thurston, "	600 00	
Eli Simonds, care of building,	72 75	
C. Gorman, cleaning,	1 66	
J. Gorman, "	1 00	
Betsy Desmond, "	11 17	
Hannah Canfield, "	7 01	
M. Murphy, cutting wood,	4 00	
D. Dow, teaming,	3 00	
Jos. Richardson, wood,	11 87	
John L. Parker, printing,	14 75	
J. W. Peirce, coal,	103 50	
		\$2,780 71

From the Grant for Repairs, &c.

C. T. Worthley, moving piano, &c.	\$ 6 50	
A. E. White, sundries,	4 30	
Noyes, Holmes & Co., books,	34 30	
L. G. Babcock, books,	1 80	
W. T. Ham, "	6 38	
Estes & Lauriat, "	74 06	
Nichols & Hall, "	2 87	
Doane & Greenough, "	4 50	
W. G. Shattuck, furniture,	37 00	
J. L. Ross, "	28 00	
J. Hobart, hay,	5 53	
F. J. Winship, repairs,	18 80	
Rand, Avery & Co., printing,	15 00	
B. L. & N. R. R. Ex. Co., expressing,	1 65	

Amount carried forward, \$240 69

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$240 69	
C. A. Butters & Co., sundries,	1 53	
Whitcher & Saville, "	18	
School Committee, trees,	2 00	
School Committee, graduating expenses,	2 60	
G. Chilson, repairing furnace,	2 50	
A. L. Ball, labor,	65	
Caleb Kingman, repairing pump,	2 50	
Jas. Merriam, painting,	13 75	
		\$266 40

HOWARD SCHOOL.

From the School Grant.

M. A. Jackson, instruction,	\$237 50	
" " care of room,	6 00	
Nellie E. Harrington, instruction,	170 00	
C. M. Grover, "	12 50	
Wm. Grover, care of room,	34 75	
G. F. Chapman, wood,	23 00	
J. W. Peirce, coal,	27 00	
		\$510 75

From Grant for Repairs, &c.

Wm. Grover, repairing,	\$ 3 90	
F. J. Winship, "	50	
D. A. Tuttle, labor and stock,	5 93	
T. K. Fiske, labor,	3 00	
Whitcher & Saville, mat,	1 35	
W. T. Ham, books,	60	
L. G. Babcock, books,	1 20	
J. L. Hammett, map and bells,	9 71	
		\$26 19

WARREN SCHOOL.

[From School Grant.]

Ellen M. Underwood, instruction,	\$237 50	
“ “ care of room,	7 67	
M. A. Jackson, instruction,	262 50	
“ “ express and care of room,	7 50	
C. McNamara, care of room,	6 83	
Abijah Harrington, labor,	11 25	
		\$533 25

From Grant for Repairs, &c.

A. L. Ball, labor and stock,	\$ 6 03	
S. L. Haskell, laying wall and grading,	140 00	
D. A. Tuttle, labor and stock,	278 38	
E. A. Mulliken, labor,	27 00	
W. S. Blanchard, lumber,	77 30	
F. J. Winship, repairs,	4 50	
C. A. Butters & Co., sundries,	1 00	
Whitcher & Saville, stove polish,	10	
Geo. W. Nichols, repairing clock,	1 50	
J. A. Swazey, black board,	11 40	
W. G. Shattuck, furniture,	4 50	
L. G. Babcock, books,	4 46	
W. T. Ham, “	5 47	
J. L. Hammett, sundries,	2 05	
Ginn Bros., chart and easel,	9 25	
Knight, Adams & Co., slates,	3 50	
C. F. Davis, fitting keys,	95	
Jas. Merriam, painting,	94 88	
		\$672 27

COMMON TO ALL SCHOOLS.

From School Grant.

Horace Bird, musical instruction,	\$600 00
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From Grant for Repairs, &c.,

Nichols & Hall, sundries,	\$ 19 99	
J. L. Hammett, “	18 15	
Bogman & Vinal, hardware,	88	
Burton, Fellows & Co., brushes,	9 00	
Peters & Jones, baskets,	2 42	
School Committee, stationery,	9 26	
		\$59 70

SUMMARY.

NAME OF SCHOOLS.	FROM SCHOOL GRANT. Instruction, Fuel, and care of rooms.	FROM GRANT FOR REPAIRS. Repairs and Inci- dentals.	TOTALS.
Adams,	\$2,410 23	\$495 83	\$2,906 06
Bowditch,	580 50	159 70	740 20
Franklin,	550 50	21 31	571 81
Hancock,	2,271 82	820 18	3,092 00
High,	2,780 71	266 40	3,047 11
Howard,	510 75	26 19	536 94
Warren,	533 25	672 27	1,205 52
Musical Instruction,	600 00		600 00
Not classified,		59 70	59 70
Total,	\$10,237 76	\$2,521 58	\$12,759 34

CONTINGENT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriated and Assessed for 1874,	\$3500 00
Overlaysings,	1080 68
Corporation Tax,	757 82
National Bank Tax,	737 16
An abated " "	8 00
Ebenezer Gammell, support of wife,	50 00
Sidewalk improvement 1872,	11 02
Raymond and Reed,	200 00
License for Billiard Hall,	10 00
Estate of Jonas Gammell, legacy,	500 00
Sale of old engine house in part,	42 30
Gravel sold from Simonds' Pit,	2 20
Sale of Town Histories,	42 00
Town Scales,	34 28
Franklin Fire Ins. Co. dividend,	8 33
Taxes for 1873,	3544 85
	————— \$10,528 64
Amount expended,	\$4757 89
Balance unexpended,	5770 75
	————— \$10,528 64

EXPENDITURES.

Chas, Hudson, selectman,	\$212 00
" " clerk,	25 00
" " recording and sundries,	49 78
" " traveling expenses,	19 00
B. C. Whitcher, selectman,	200 00

Amount carried forward, \$505 78

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$505 78
B. C. Whitcher, examining accounts	
of Treas. 1872 & 1873,	12 00
" " traveling expenses,	37 00
L. S. Peirce, selectman,	170 00
" " janitor,	25 75
O. W. Kendall, care of town hall,	294 86
" " " " library,	230 00
" " labor and sundries,	38 27
Eli Simonds, constable,	95 00
" " witness fees in case of	
Brown vs. town,	37 05
Asa Cottrell, professional services in	
above case and costs,	152 36
Chas. Robinson, professional services	
in same case,	129 50
S. W. Smith, services and court fees	
in case of Malden vs.	
Lexington, 1868-9,	35 60
G. A. Somerby, legal advice on drain-	
age question,	100 00
John L. Parker, printing 600 Reports,	269 80
" " " " 100 School	
reports,	6 00
" " " " "	22 00
Rand, Avery & Co., printing,	11 00
Caleb Rand, " "	57 00
T. R. Marvin & Son, " "	17 00
J. Frank Palmer, " "	4 50
Tower & Munroe, " "	1 50
Boston Herald, advertising,	8 63
Worcester Lunatic Asylum,	
Support of Mrs. Gammell,	197 01
" " Jas. Congdon,	112 98

Amount carried forward, \$ 2,560 59

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$2,560 59,</i>
F. M. Harrington, carriage hire,	54 50
Street improvement,	
N. L. Bryant, labor,	39 00
J. F. Simonds, "	25 00
E. E. Smith, "	30 50
F. Chaloner, "	33 00
Harrison Peirce, "	46 12
J. Crowley, "	40 00
M. Murphy, "	41 00
F. Gaffney, "	41 00
Jas. Emery, "	41 00
J. McKensie, "	12 00
Highway Surveyors, labor and team,	67 00
N. Shea, labor,	31 00
M. Driscoll, "	10 00
J. Shea, "	4 00
E. Harrigan, "	5 00
M. McGrath, "	5 00
Whitcher & Saville, sundries,	26 38
O. W. Fiske, land damage,	225 00
David Fitch, "	24 00
Jas. King, "	2 00
J. L. Norris, "	100 00
Lucy B. Spaulding, "	30 00
P. Peirce, advertising and selling	
Adams Eng. House,	4 00
Amos W. Robinson, police to Jan. 1874,	12 00
A. R. Gay, stationery,	8 50
M. R. Warren, "	5 88
L. G. Babcock, lettering street signs,	5 00
H. A. Wellington, special police,	10 00
Willard Walcott, "	12 00
J. W. Tapley, "	18 00

*Amount carried forward,**\$3,578 47*

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$3,578 47</i>
Alonzo Goddard, sealer of weights and measures to April, 1874,	15 00
Alonzo Goddard, repairs on stoves,	2 00
" " Adams Engine House furnace and fixtures,	54 25
A. E. Scott, balance on school committee-man to Feb., 1874	27 92
James Emery, labor and team,	7 00
A. F. Fesenden, cleaning culverts,	1 00
N. & J. Q. A. Chandler, lease of gravel pit.	250 00
B. L. & N. R. R. Co., freight,	5 36
C. T. Worthley, express,	50
Samuel Fletcher, granite bounds,	25 00
Darius Dow, teaming stone to cemetery,	4 00
A. G. Spaulding, guide posts,	19 20
J. W. Peirce, cement,	2 25
" " coal,	35 00
Aiken & Woodward, charcoal,	12 50
James Farrell, labor on Common,	7 00
Frank O'Neil, " "	7 00
Wm. Wyman, coal and wood,	108 00
Gershom Swan, drain pipe,	33 00
" " labor on town hall,	24 55
D. A. Tuttle, labor and stock on east village lock-up	223 00
Chas. Adair, catering	11 25
J. R. True, care of flag, etc.,	7 00
W. S. Blanchard, lumber,	72 56
A. L. Ball, tables,	10 57
" " labor,	9 12
Wm. Locke, 2nd, repairing,	1 25
W. G. Moore, rubber mouldings,	8 95

*Amount carried forward,**\$4,562 70*

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$4,562 70
J. Harrington, painting posts and street lamps,	46 15
J. A. Montgomery, slating,	67 01
S. L. Haskell, repairing pump,	1 50
C. J. Adams, support of M. Capel's child,	17 72
" " " " Jonathan Locke,	17 57
N. Garmon, labor,	19 00
O. Brown, painting,	3 50
Wm. Gleason, posts and labor,	4 00
Hadley & Wright, street lamps and frame,	10 00
Wm. Ham, iron work,	8 74
	<u>\$4,757 89</u>

TAXES.

Warrant furnished Collector.	
State tax,	\$3,000 00
County tax,	2,052 89
Town Grants,	34,510 00
Overlayings,	1,080 68
	<u>\$40,643 57</u>
Supplementary list,	276 20
	<u>\$40,919 77</u>
Collected.	\$36,052 75
Allowance for prompt payment,	818 13
Uncollected, (subject to abatement),	4,048 89
	<u>\$40,919 77</u>
Difference between original warrant and amount collected,	\$4,590 82

RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Cash on hand February 1, 1874,	Ringling Church Bells,
Ringling Church Bells,	Cary Library,
Cary Library,	Fire Extinguisher,
Fire Department,	" Department,
Sexton,	Town Clerk,
Town Clerk,	Miscellaneous, Police,
Constables and Police,	Constables and Police,
Interest and discount,	Interest and Discount,
Assessors,	East Village Engine House improvement,
Guide Boards and Street Signs,	Special Engine House grant,
Town Flags,	Hancock School House improvement,
Decorative Day,	Assessors,
School Committee,	Centennial,
Auditors,	East Village Lockup,
Treasurer and Collector,	Guide Boards and Street Signs,
Rental of Town Halls,	Town Flags,
Street Lamps,	Decorative Day,
State Aid,	School Committee,
Prosser Gravel Pit,	Rebel Gun grant,
County Tax,	Rental of Town Halls,
Drainage,	Street Lamps,
Bills Payable (Town Debt Reduction and Loans),	State Aid,
Abatement of Taxes,	Prosser Gravel Pit,
Support of the Poor,	State Tax,
Schools, Instruction, etc.,	County Tax,
Contingent,	Drainage,
	Bow Street,
	Maple Street,
	Plint Street,
	Hancock and Adams streets,
	Bills Payable (Town Debt Reduction and Loans),
	Highways,
	Support of the Poor,
	Schools, repairs and incidentals,
	" " School Fund, 1873. Paid Feb. 3, 1874,
	Contingent,
	Difference between Tax Warrant and Collections,
	Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1875,
\$4,222 50	\$ 50 00
70 00	517 20
623 29	765 33
890 00	1,040 83
75 00	79 50
90 00	470 65
250 00	328 20
4,663 59	3,943 49
400 00	3,544 05
100 00	830 16
150 00	500 01
100 00	409 17
300 00	6 75
45 00	18 35
300 00	97 50
635 00	150 00
900 00	100 00
885 63	235 00
400 00	202 45
3,000 00	709 50
2,052 89	1,907 43
115 34	440 00
50 00	400 00
16,690 00	3,000 00
600 00	2,052 89
5,169 33	179 25
2,571 23	46 50
10,281 55	340 75
2,460 82	169 00
10,528 64	762 00
	206 93
	15,100 00
	4,976 25
	3,066 02
	10,237 76
	2,621 68
	2,166 84
	4,757 89
	4,690 82
	312 45
	<u>\$68,332 51</u>

REMARKS.

The Auditors present herewith a detailed report, embracing the receipts and expenditures under their various heads, for the year ending Jan. 31, 1874. We certify that the vouchers for each item have been furnished us, and that we found them correctly cast. We have endeavored to classify the accounts so that the reader can tell what each department has cost. In doing this, we have been compelled to transfer certain bills to accounts other than those to which we found them charged. This will account for any differences that may exist between our figures and those of the Treasurer, while the general result is not affected.

In this connection we would take the opportunity to express our unqualified approval of the system, adopted by the Town last spring, in regard to the payment of bills. That there should be but one person who should have the handling of the funds, is too patent to admit of argument. We say this, not because we question the honesty of any town official, but rather, because, without such a system, the safeguard of direct responsibility is lost, and carelessness and forgetfulness are apt to find a place. The present year has offered a partial test of the system, but we look for still greater results in the future, and particularly for the reason, that in the year just passed, there has existed the difficulty of having to deal with both, the old and new, systems, the former being in vogue until after the annual meeting.

The time allowed, for the compiling and issuing of the reports, is necessarily short, and the work of this department may be materially lessened, if each branch of public service would keep its accounts well-in-hand and exercise promptness in its settlement.

The books of the Treasurer, from which, together with the

vouchers, we make up our detailed statement, are models of correctness and neatness, and we are under obligations to that official for courtesies shown, and assistance rendered to us in our labors.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK E. WETHERELL, } *Auditors.*
GERSHOM SWAN, }

LEXINGTON, Feb. 13, 1875.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1874--5.

TOWN CLERK.
LEONARD A. SAVILLE.

SELECTMEN.
CHARLES HUDSON, LORING S. PIERCE,
B. C. WHITCHER.

ASSESSORS.
JOSEPH F. SIMONDS, WALTER WELLINGTON,
LEONARD A. SAVILLE.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.
A. E. SCOTT, for 3 yrs. C. A. WELLINGTON, for 2 yrs.
CHARLES TIDD, for 1 year.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.
ISAAC N. DAMON.

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.
ELI SIMONDS, J. F. SIMONDS,
N. L. BRYANT.

CONSTABLE.
ELI SIMONDS.

POLICE OFFICERS.
O. W. KENDALL, A. L. BALL,
C. T. WORTHLEY.

NIGHT WATCHMEN.
T. H. BOWEN, GEO. E. BABCOCK.

AUDITORS.
F. E. WETHERELL, GERSHOM SWAN.

FIELD DRIVERS.
ALFRED BOYDEN, THOS. R. GREENLEAF,

FENCE VIEWERS.
DR. H. HOLMES, W. D. PHELPS,
HAMMON REED.

SURVEYOR OF LUMBER.
O. W. KENDALL.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.
LEONARD A. SAVILLE, F. V. BUTTERS,
A. CHILDS.

SUPERINTENDENTS OF TOWN SCALES, AND WEIGHERS OF
HAY AND COAL.
B. C. WHITCHER, R. W. HOLBROOK.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.
ALONZO GODDARD.

AUCTIONEERS.
P. P. PIERCE, LEVI PROSSER.

POUND KEEPER.
O. W. KENDALL.

SEXTON.
O. W. KENDALL.

REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF LEXINGTON,
FOR THE YEAR 1874-75.

ARLINGTON:
OFFICE OF THE "LEXINGTON MINUTE-MAN."
1875.

REPORT

The School Committee of Lexington herewith present their annual report.

APPROPRIATIONS.

The town appropriated, for the support of its schools, at the annual meeting in March, 1874 . . .	\$12,500 00
We have received from the State School Fund	242 07
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	\$12,742 07

This sum we have expended substantially in accordance with the recommendations in our last report.

EXPENDITURES.

We have approved bills as follows : —

For instruction	\$9,300 00
Fuel	541 79
Care of rooms	403 02
Repairs and incidentals	2,518 21
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	\$12,763 02

It is possible that some bills which we have approved have not yet been presented for payment, which may account for any slight discrepancy between our footings and those of the auditors.

ADAMS SCHOOL.

Instruction	\$2,200 00	
Fuel	117 50	
Care of rooms	82 86	
Repairs, etc.	508 31	
	<hr/>	\$2,908 67

BOWDITCH SCHOOL.

Instruction	\$500 00	
Fuel	58 05	
Care of rooms	35 00	
Repairs, etc.	140 90	
	<hr/>	\$733 95

FRANKLIN SCHOOL.

Instruction	\$500 00	
Fuel	30 12	
Care of rooms	20 00	
Repairs, etc.	21 82	
	<hr/>	\$571 94

HANCOCK SCHOOL.

Instruction	\$2,000 00	
Fuel	133 50	
Care of rooms	112 48	
Repairs, etc.	824 70	
	<hr/>	\$3,070 68

HIGH SCHOOL.

Instruction	\$2,550 00	
Fuel	122 37	
Care of rooms	89 43	
Repairs, etc.	260 57	
	<hr/>	\$3,022 37

HOWARD SCHOOL.

Instruction	\$450 00	
Fuel	42 00	
Care of rooms	38 25	
Repairs, etc.	26 09	
	<hr/>	\$556 34

WARREN SCHOOL.

Instruction	\$500 00	
Fuel	28 25	
Care of rooms	25 00	
Repairs, etc.	681 82	
	<hr/>	\$1,235 07

Instruction in music	\$600 00	
Not classified	54 00	
	<hr/>	\$12,763 02

At a recent meeting the town voted to instruct the School Committee to establish a new school in the Hancock District, and appropriated five hundred dollars therefor. The school has been established, and we have approved bills to be paid from that appropriation to the amount of \$500.01.

The method of paying bills adopted during the past year has made it difficult for us to keep our accounts as methodically as we have before done, and it is possible that some bills are charged to grants to which they do not belong, and we may not agree in all cases with the auditors as to the amounts charged to the different schools.

The selectmen and treasurer have facilitated the business as much as the rule will allow; still it has caused us more work, and subjected our teachers and others to considerable annoyance. We have found it necessary to pay bills out of our private funds, to the extent of many hundred dollars, and wait for settlement until we were able to attend a meeting of the selectmen.

In a town where the selectmen meet only twice each month, and the treasurer has no regular office hours, it would seem that some simpler method should be adopted.

In the Adams District, in addition to the furnaces contemplated in the appropriation, we found it necessary to make considerable outlay in repairing the roof, and in placing outside windows on the north side. Entire shingling and many other repairs will soon be required, but we ask for no special action this year.

We also found it necessary to go to considerable expense in repairing the flat roofs and rear wall of the High School house, and for the first time in many years we are able to report that the building does not leak.

The school premises have been much improved by the scholars and teachers without expense to the town.

The admission of a large class to the school in September compelled us to procure some new furniture, at an expense not contemplated in our last report.

In the Hancock District we have placed another furnace in the school building, and built a fence on the street front of the lot, — a great improvement to the school premises, and an assistance in the discipline of the school. In our last report we called the attention of the town to the engine house on this lot, and we again strongly urge its removal. The school is in need of the corner where it is situated; the lot would be much improved by its removal, and the premises relieved of many objectionable features.

In the Bowditch District we have done the shingling imperatively demanded, and greatly improved the school furniture.

In the Warren District we have done much more than we intended, and we now regard the premises in good condition throughout. It was deemed advisable to extend the wall along three sides of the lot. This was done in a substantial manner, a good fence built around the lot, a very large amount of grading done, the out-houses and yards entirely recon-

structed, the school building shingled, the basement and school-room put in good repair, the school desks refinished, the walls painted, and blackboards made around the room. We cannot recognize, in their present condition, the unsightly premises and the unattractive school-room of last year, and yet much needs to be done to the school lot to complete the work begun. Our resources only enabled us to grade the lot with the rough material obtained from the lot itself, and we need a stratum of loam and compost on the sides and rear. This should then be well seeded, and a few trees set out on the street front and in other places about the lot. The town has done so much toward the work that we feel the district should take the matter in hand and carry out the plan above suggested without further appropriation. If the people in the district will turn out for a single day in early spring, with their men and teams, the work will be fully accomplished.

Our school property throughout the town is in fair condition, and it is not necessary for us to ask for as large appropriations for repairs as we have previously done. We cannot, however, anticipate every outlay, and it is necessary to have the usual general appropriation for that purpose.

We call your attention in particular to the dilapidated fence and outbuildings in the Bowditch District. The credit of the town and the welfare of the school demand a new fence on the front of the lot at least, new out-houses, and considerable grading.

In the Franklin District the house needs a new sill on at least two sides, and other repairs about the building are demanded. The school lot is in a rough condition in consequence of the removal of gravel from one side for use on the roads, the boulders and debris being left. A slight outlay will greatly improve the appearance of the lot. We recommend that the gravel bank on the southeasterly corner be still further removed, the bank sloped, a bank wall built

for a short distance at the corner, and further trespass for gravel be prevented.

At the beginning of the school year in September, we anticipate the size of the High School to be such as to require about twenty additional desks, which we must now provide for.

The one hundred dollars appropriated last year for books of reference was fully expended, but made only a beginning of a library which every school of such grade requires. Our chemical apparatus also is sadly deficient, and we strongly urge a small appropriation for each of these purposes.

In our last report we referred to the school furniture in some of our houses and recommended its removal. As before stated, we have improved some of it by refinishing, but we only regard this as temporary. We are still strongly of the opinion that the carved, uncomfortable, disgracefully dilapidated double desks should be removed from all our school-rooms and replaced with comfortable single desks. We hardly expect all this to be done at once, — but gradually, and we recommend a beginning at the Hancock Grammar School. We are sure that this would go very far toward improving the *morale* of that school and doubly repay the town every year for the expense.

It will be seen above that the expense of fuel and care of houses for the year exceeded our estimates, and an increase of at least one hundred dollars for the former and of fifty dollars for the latter will be necessary.

We feel that the salaries of our teachers now enable us to compete fairly with adjoining towns, and are quite as large as the town can well afford. We ask nothing therefore for their increase, but it will be remembered that by vote of the town a new school has just been established, and, in consequence, another teacher employed. This adds to the expense of instruction five hundred dollars.

To sum up, we need for the current year and ask you to appropriate: —

For instruction, fuel and care of rooms	\$10,750 00
school incidentals and small repairs	500 00
furniture for High School	125 00
repairs at Franklin School	125 00

We recommend and strongly urge you to appropriate: —

For repairs at the Bowditch School	250 00
furniture for Hancock School	300 00
books and apparatus for High School	200 00
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	\$12,250 00

While the aggregate of the amounts we have above asked for is less than that of last year, we are aware it is very large, yet we see no way in which the first four of the above items can be reduced a single dollar, and our schools continue in their present condition, or in any manner satisfactory to our people; while the whole appropriation, and even more, will be a wise investment.

It will be remembered that for the last three years we have had only three classes in the High School, no class being admitted in 1871, and yet the teachers have been unable to do the work for the three classes, or, at least, in a manner satisfactory to themselves. At the close of the present year in June no class will graduate, while a large class will enter, filling the school to its complement of four classes, and adding one-third more to the school work. When this takes place we do not see how it is possible for two teachers to do the work even in an ordinary manner. In our last report we called your attention to this, and also suggested that with another teacher we could so enlarge and frame the course of instruction in that school that, to a certain extent, each scholar might select such studies as conformed to his circumstances and intended career in life. As

the school is now constituted the course must be contracted, and it seems to be necessary that all the scholars should pursue the same studies.

We know that in former years the work has been done by two teachers, and we need not go very far back to find it done by one; but this is a weak argument, for we can recall the time when it was not done at all, and we suspect that much of the time since the school was established it has not been done well.

We are not willing to sit down contented and say that we have done well enough in the past and are doing well enough now. We are not doing well enough if we can do better, and we trust the people will encourage the committee in all reasonable efforts for improvement.

Lest it may seem that we have too enlarged ideas for our school, we ask you to consider what is done for other High Schools about us.

In Waltham they employ five teachers, — a principal sub-master, and three assistants.

In Woburn four, — principal, sub-master, and two assistants.

In Watertown three, — principal and two assistants.

In Stoneham three, — principal and two assistants.

In Arlington three, — principal and two assistants.

In Melrose three, — principal and two assistants.

In Winchester three, — principal and two assistants.

In Medford three, — principal, sub-master, and one assistant.

In addition to the above there are employed in most of these schools special instructors in music and drawing.

We must not omit to add that for the first time in the history of the school we have a fine class of eight fitting for college. This class is a credit to the town, and we must not fail to encourage them and to afford them every facility for thorough preparation. At the beginning of another year it is hoped another class will be formed, and so on from year to

year, until the college class becomes a permanent feature of the school. The preparation for this class alone demands great care and more time than for either of the other classes, and in most of our High Schools the principal does little else than attend to the work of the college classes. Thus it will be seen that we are to have the work of five classes, and possibly, another year, of six, so that relief must come from some direction. If not in the manner above suggested, we see no better way to do than to give up all college classes, and raise the standard of admission so as to have only three classes in the school, requiring the work of the first year to be done in the lower schools.

Some of the above-mentioned schools are no larger than ours; one, at least, not so large; but it must be remembered that it makes little difference whether we have twenty scholars more or less in a school of this grade, the work depending on the number of classes rather than on the number of pupils. But the employment of another teacher necessitates furnishing a room for her in the school building.

We have at other times called attention to the room now used for a recitation room. It is approached by a long flight of narrow winding stairs, and when reached is gloomy and uncomfortable. The ante-room for the girls is also on this floor, and we are confident that much of the fatigue complained of by them is the result of rapidly ascending these stairs many times per day. The boys' ante-room is about six feet square, and does not afford sufficient space for the coats and caps of those now in the school.

We have no accommodations whatever for the large class expected at the beginning of the next school year. We have no place for our apparatus, and no room for chemical manipulations and philosophical experiments.

We think, then, that better accommodations are demanded for the school, even if another teacher is not employed.

We suggest that additions be made to the present build-

ing, so as to give us two recitation rooms,—one to be fitted for an apparatus room, ante-rooms for boys and girls, and water-closets and other conveniences in the basement.

We have a plan by which this can be done at a reasonable cost, but without further suggestions prefer to ask the town to appoint a committee to examine into the matter, obtain plans and estimates, and report at the April meeting.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR.

The annual examinations seemed for the most part to give satisfaction to the people, and perhaps the schools appeared as well as we could reasonably expect, yet we must confess we are not fully satisfied with the results of the year.

We have been even more earnest in our work and have devoted quite as much time to it as in former years, yet we are conscious that our schools would be much benefited by a more extended supervision than we are able to give them.

Such supervision as is needed the town is hardly able at present to afford. But the efforts of the committee may be made more effective by the encouragement and assistance of the parents. The apparent apathy of a large portion of the parents for the work of the school is lamentable. It is hardly to be conceived that a parent generally careful in regard to the welfare of the child should allow year after year to go by without approaching the school-room.

Our teachers have kept a careful record of all the visits made by the committee, parents, and others, which we give below:—

	Whole No. of visits.	Visits of parents.	Visits of committee.	At examinations.
Adams, Grammar,	42	7	19	35
“ Intermediate,	71	16	22	40
“ Primary,	79	30	19	35
Bowditch,	58	18	24	11—5 parents.
Franklin,	20	1	18	4—1 “

Howard,	49	6	21	4—3 parents.
Warren,	52	5	21	4—1 “
Hancock, Grammar,	70	8	34	40
“ Intermediate,	57	13	33	25
“ Primary,	115	38	31	35
High School,	59	17	24	75
	672	159	266	308

When it is considered that many of the visits by the committee have not been mere calls, but have continued from the beginning to the close of a session, and that many hours have been devoted to the schools outside of the school-room, it will be seen that we have given quite as much time to the work as can be reasonably asked, and yet our schools are suffering from lack of supervision. Frequent visits by parents, their encouragement and honest criticism, will be of great benefit to the schools, teachers, and even committee, and we hope to be able to make a better record in this regard next year.

We have had changes of teachers during the year in the Warren and Howard Schools.

At the close of the first term the teacher of the Warren resigned, to seek a more lucrative position elsewhere, giving us little time to fill the vacancy. The school was large and somewhat difficult, and we felt the necessity of appointing a teacher of experience known to us. With much hesitation, on account of the loss to the Howard School, we transferred Miss Jackson to the Warren, and appointed Miss Harrington, one of our High School graduates, and more recently a pupil in the Boston Normal School, to the vacancy in the Howard. Again, when the Hancock Primary School was divided, we felt that Miss Harrington's services were worth more to the town in one of these divisions than at the Howard, and ventured to make the transfer. We appointed Miss M. A. Gustin, of Woburn, a teacher of considerable experience, to

fill the vacancy, and we are confident we shall not further test the forbearance of the people of that district by changes for a long time to come.

It is not necessary for us to mention each school in detail, for although, as we have before stated, we have been disappointed in some particulars, and in some of the schools there has not been that accuracy of instruction, or that healthful emulation and enthusiasm, which we desire, yet we know there has been much hard work done by every teacher, and the results as a whole compare favorably with those of previous years.

We frequently hear the statement made, even by intelligent persons, that the teacher has an easy time, working only five or six hours per day, and receiving double the pay, perhaps, of other good men and women who work ten; and we confess to a feeling of indignation as often as we hear such statement. No person who has not given attention to the matter can comprehend the wear and tear of the school-room, the anxiety and care which the teacher feels for his pupils, and the complete exhaustion of both mind and body at the close of the day. The bodily fatigue of the day-laborer is nothing in comparison with it, and when his ten hours are over he is relieved from care, and can obtain that refreshment which his system demands. The teacher is never free from care; the five hours in the school-room are only a part of the time devoted to the work. We have in mind teachers in our own town who devote their whole time to their schools; whose labors are not limited to five, ten, or even fifteen hours; but who, day after day, continue their labors, even late at night, in preparing themselves for the school-room.

Hard work is demanded of every teacher; the progress of the whole world in its broadest and most liberal sense demands it, and we in Lexington claim it. No one at present engaged in our school work can expect a life of ease. The suggestions and requirements of our school reg-

ulations, to say nothing of the thousand important things which occur to every wide-awake teacher, require the whole time of our teachers, and demand that their schools shall take precedence of everything else.

The work of the teacher is not merely to keep school. Let the teacher be thoroughly equal to his position, and the school will keep itself. It is not merely in requiring long lists of words and names of places to be memorized, or rules learned, or in asking questions laid down in the text-books, and requiring the corresponding answers. The great work is rather to build up, draw out, educate the minds of the pupils, to teach them to think and discover for themselves. He can mould their mental nature almost as he will; and to this end preparation for every exercise is necessary. This is especially important in the Primary Schools; and it is especially difficult to make teachers of these grades understand the necessity of such preparation. The teacher of the Primary School needs special preparation in manners, of mind, and of heart. She must be prepared for every day's work, know what she is about to teach, and how she should teach it, be accurate in her language, and in her instruction, ever on the alert to keep active minds interested, and busy hands and eyes employed. She must be firm but gentle, cheerful and enthusiastic, and know how to inspire with her own cheerfulness and enthusiasm.

We have devoted much time to our Primary Schools, and are encouraged to feel that the work done in them has been greatly improved in its character; yet a great deal remains to be done, and teachers and committee have yet very much to learn.

Much of the training here should be objective, and we have placed in these schools, and in the Mixed Schools where there are children of the Primary grade, at very slight expense to the town, but at considerable expense of time and care to ourselves, a great variety of material for occupation,

instruction and entertainment, embracing thousands of triangles, oblongs, squares, and other geometrical forms of various colors, cards, letters, sticks, blocks, worsteds, pictures, books, etc. These, at different times during the day, are placed in the hands of those children who are too young to study, and who have ordinarily sat with nothing to do, so that many an hour, otherwise tedious and injurious, is passed pleasantly and not without profit. Entering either of these schools at certain hours in each session we find the children happily employed in assorting these cards or worsteds according to shape or color, in forming words or short sentences with letters, laying sticks in piles of certain numbers and according to given lengths, making various figures with the colored cards from designs drawn by the teacher on the blackboard, or even designing themselves. Much good has already resulted, but the resources of this kind of material are very great, and more attention should be given to such occupation.

The committee can do little else in the short time at their disposal than give hints and suggestions; it remains for the teachers to develop the matter by careful thought. Even in the use of such material harm may be done. Instruction as to form, size, color, length, etc., should be exact; nothing should be used carelessly, and the children should not be allowed to do anything with this material at will, until they have had definite instruction as to its uses.

The progress of the Hancock Primary School has been very much retarded by its size. In our last report we called attention to its constantly increasing numbers, and suggested that some provision must be made at no distant day for a division of the school. We did not think, however, that such division would be necessary for the present. But immediately on the opening of spring, children seemed to flock from every quarter. The number increased until during the last term it reached seventy-one; and there have

been eighty-three different pupils connected with the school during the year. We had in the school-room forty-eight seats; so that it was not unusual to have a dozen or fifteen, sometimes more, scholars sitting on the floor of the platform, on settees, and in every available corner about the room.

Contrary to our judgment, we let the school continue in this condition until a meeting of the town was called, reluctant to ask for an appropriation, hardly knowing what plan to recommend, and disliking to request a meeting of the town for this special purpose.

Three plans presented themselves: first, the erection of a small building somewhere near the crossing, which would relieve two of the lower grades in the Hancock building; secondly, the erection of a small building on the Hancock School lot, where the engine house now stands; and, lastly, that which was finally adopted,—the completion of the vacant room in the rear of the Grammar school-room. There are some disadvantages connected with the use of this room for a separate school, there being no entrance to it except through the Grammar school-room, and some confusion being liable to result from having two schools so near together; but knowing the town would hesitate to build a new house the coming year, and feeling that the small expense of fitting up this room might bridge us over until it became necessary to arrange for enlarged accommodations for the whole school, we decided to recommend the latter plan, which has been carried out. If the number of scholars continues to increase as during the past year, a new building will be required at no very distant day.

The new school-room was finished, the room below prepared for younger scholars, the schools divided, a teacher appointed, and the schools established in the different rooms in two weeks from the time the appropriation was made.

The new room is pleasant and convenient, except as above stated, and the school, consisting of the two upper classes of

the Intermediate grade, is one of our best. The first class from the Primary room was moved to the old Intermediate room, thus giving to each school two classes, in place of three.

Mrs. Lane was promoted to the new room, Miss Hutchinson to the Intermediate, and, as before stated, Miss Harrington to the Primary. By this arrangement each teacher will have about forty scholars, with only two classes or grades; and Mrs. Lane is able to relieve the principal of the Grammar School by partly taking charge of the third class in that school. These schools already show good results from the change, and we have bright hopes for the coming year.

Two of our Mixed Schools have been large and two of them very small, and there have been some drawbacks to the success of each of them; but we are sure they were never better classified, and never in a better working condition than now.

Complaint has been made by some of the parents that children could not be fitted in the Mixed Schools for admission to the High School; but, on examination of the school registers, we venture to suggest that these parents would know more about the matter had they been inside the school-rooms.

The fact is, we have long felt that it was a difficult matter to teach our Mixed Schools, and we have taken special pains to procure teachers of experience and culture for them.

We are sure that the teachers are as competent, the instruction given in these schools of as high a character as in the other schools of like grades, and some of our best scholars in the High School have been prepared in them. It must be remembered, however, that each of these schools embraces all grades from the Primary up to the High, and the work in consequence is very varied, and, in amount, almost appalling. We therefore urge parents, as suggested in our regulations, to send children to one of the Grammar Schools as soon as

they reach the last year in the Grammar Course, and we are willing that the children of either school should attend the Grammar Schools as soon as they are qualified for admission to the lowest class, provided all the parents of those qualified agree. The plan is not feasible unless adopted by all.

The High School has continued to do its important work, and its popularity and high character have done much toward elevating the tone of the lower schools.

As before stated, no class having been admitted in 1871, there will be no class to graduate at the close of the present school year.

At the close of the school year, in June last, a class of nine, who had been an honor to the school, graduated, having parts, with one exception original, as follows:—

CLASS OF 1874.

Florence M. Damon. Essay.—Books and External Nature, with Valedictory Address.

Abby C. Underwood. Essay.—“Poetry of Common Things,” with Salutatory Address.

Grace H. Plumer. Essay.—Ferns.

Maria A. Butterfield. Essay.—Spectacles.

Everett M. Mulliken. Oration.—Civil Rights Bills.

Caroline A. Bacon. Essay.—Geology and Psychology.

John M. Donovan. Dissertation.—Fashion *vs.* Reason.

Sarah E. Holmes. Composition.—Action and Enjoyment.

George B. Rogers. Declamation.—Judicial Tribunals.

At the examination for admission to the High School in September, twenty-four applicants presented themselves. The examination continued through two days, and was quite as comprehensive as in previous years.

Many of the papers showed that the work in the lower schools is not yet up to the desired standard, especially in orthography and grammatical construction. All the appli-

cants from our schools but one, however, were admitted, two from other towns being among the rejected.

In some cases we consented to admissions contrary to our judgment, yielding to the earnest solicitations of parents.

This is a fast age, and parents and guardians seem to be influenced by the general hurry, to rush their children through their school days as early in life as possible.

Hardly a week passes that we do not have requests from parents that their children may be advanced, or that some arrangement may be made by which they may jump a year, or get through a particular school and into another sooner than the regular course allows; and hardly a week passes that we do not hear complaints of overwork.

We have carefully examined into these complaints, and are of the opinion that only in very rare instances does a scholar suffer from overwork when he is in his right place; and we are also of the opinion that fifty per cent. of those scholars who are now advanced from class to class, and grade to grade, up to the High School, and even in the High School itself, would be better off if kept back a full year.

But it is at the expense of considerable moral courage that we ever venture to do this, or even suggest it with reference to any particular scholar, so great is the pressure to get on; while perhaps the very parents who strenuously oppose us in this particular may be complaining a year hence of overwork.

We believe that scholars as well as other people should be in their proper places, and that in those places they should work. Indeed, we send children to school that they may learn to think, to work with their own minds.

In this connection we venture to quote from the last report of the school committee of our neighboring town of Concord:—

"Now, it seems as if the whole tendency of our times, the whole advice of our educational men and journals, the great

desire of parents, was to take out of education anything which looked like hard work; to enable our children to get an education vicariously, by somebody else's work and study. If a study comes hard to a child, straightway father or mother must petition that he give up that special study. The committees and guardians of youth are warned that a few hours' study (an amazingly few hours' study, in most cases!), five days in the week, two-thirds of the year, is making a complete wreck of the constitutions of all our boys and girls. Perhaps so! For ourselves, we believe the exact contrary. We believe that any reasonable amount of study, any amount which is required by the school committees of Massachusetts towns, is a positive advantage to health. At any rate we would not give much for that education which does not involve some systematic hard work on the part of the pupils as well as teachers. It will not make the kind of men and women which we need to grapple with the hard realities and the knotty problems of actual life."

The examination for admission to the High School, above referred to, was by printed questions, as follows:—

ARITHMETIC.

(Leave your work in full.)

1. Write in words the following:—

20.0020001.

8.0019019.

.010010105.

Multiply their sum by one and three hundredths, divide the product by five ten-thousandths, and reduce the quotient to a common fraction.

2. Reduce $\frac{5}{8} - \frac{1}{24}$ to a decimal fraction.
 $1\frac{1}{36}$

3. How many half-pint bottles are required to hold 725 gal. 2 qts. of wine?

4. Write a bill of three items, with proper punctuation and use of capitals.

5. Write a promissory note for \$250 due in eight months, at 8 per cent., and find the amount to be paid at the time of settlement.

6. Reduce 15 , $2\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{2}{3}$ of $\frac{3}{4}$, and $\frac{6}{12}$ to the least common denominator; and show why their values are not changed.

7. What is the value of a pile of wood eight rods long, four feet wide, and two yards high, at \$6.75 per cord?

8. If I have a rectangular field which borders on the street 480 feet, how far back must it extend to contain 4 acres?

9. An agent receives \$312 to purchase oats at 30 cts. per bushel, after deducting his commission, which was 4 per cent. on the sum paid for the oats. How many bushels did he buy?

10. On a note for \$3,500, at 7 per cent., there is interest due for one year and six months. How much gold, at a premium of 34 per cent., will be required to discharge the note?

11. If a globe 4 inches in diameter weighs 9 lbs., what is the weight of a globe 8 inches in diameter? Why?

12. Multiply the square root of 0.173056 by the cube root of $\frac{15625}{32768}$.

GRAMMAR.

1. Write three sentences,—one in which a statement is made, one in which a command is given, and one which asks a question. What is each called?

2. Write a sentence in which the infinitive is used as a subject, and one in which it is used as the object.

3. What verbs may have a passive form? How is the passive voice formed? Write a sentence containing a verb in the passive.

4. Give a synopsis of the verb "sit" through all the moods and tenses, using the third person singular.

5. Write the opposite numbers of the following:—

Mr.	Wife.	Mouse-trap.
Miss.	Thief.	Brother-in-law.
Dr.	Knives.	Spoonful.
Sheep.	Genius.	Alumni.
Deer.	Index.	Momenta.
Measles.	Potatoes.	Stratum.

6. Write the opposite gender of the following nouns:—

Queen.	Widow.	Lioness.
Hero.	Wife.	Executor.
Cousin.	Actor.	Gander.
Lady.		

7. Correct the following, with proper punctuation and proper use of capitals, and give your reasons for the corrections:—

Alexander the great conquered a great part of asia.

If any one asks for me, tell them that I am out.

It is me.

A foreigner having fallen into the thames cried out I will be drowned nobody shall help me.

I knew he had wrqte it for it was well writ.

Those sort of people are always complaining.

I seen him when he done it.

Whom do you think it was.

Every person has their faults?

Can you learn me to write.

He laid abed till breakfast.

Lay down and rest.

Can you not do nothing.

The music was awfully gorgeous.

The ground is all froze over.

We admire Longfellow's the poet's genius.

8. What parts of speech are inflected, and for what purposes?

9. When is the period used? — when the interrogation and exclamation points?

Show by a sentence the use of the comma where something is omitted.

Show by examples the use of the caret, apostrophe, macron, breve, and brackets.

10. Analyze the following, and parse the italicised words:—

Marley was *dead to begin* with. There is no *doubt whatever* about that. Old Marley was as *dead* as a door *nail*.

GEOGRAPHY.

1. Draw a map of North America by triangulation (size of this page).

Mention its political divisions; the relative size and position of each, compared to the United States; the climate, soil, productions, inhabitants, form of government, and language of each.

Mention and place on the map five important places; and draw the parallels and meridians showing the latitude and longitude of each.

2. Name four important seaports of South America; state their latitude and longitude, and tell their principal exports.

3. Describe five important rivers of Europe, and mention the cities that are on them.

4. Name the British possessions in Asia.

5. Describe the shortest water-route from Liverpool to Bombay.

6. Describe the Nile, locate the important cities on it, and tell in what respect it is peculiarly useful.

7. What is a river system? — a water-shed? Upon what does the velocity of streams depend? Mention the river systems of the United States.

8. What is the distinction between plateau and plain? and what are pampas, llanos, prairies, steppes, and deserts?

9. Tell in what localities in the United States the following minerals are most abundant: coal, iron, copper, silver, gold, tin.

10. Describe the Merrimack River, and name the manufacturing places on it.

11. When it is noon at London, what time is it at Boston? Why?

12. When it is noon and summer at Lexington, what time and season is it at a place 180° west, on the same parallel?

What time and season at a place on the same meridian and the same degree south latitude?

What time and season at a place 180° west, and the same degree of south latitude?

What would inhabitants of the three last-mentioned places be called?

HISTORY.

1. Name three acts of the British Government that caused the Revolutionary War.

2. Mention some of the causes which led to the war of 1812.

3. Mention some of the causes which led to the late Civil War; and through what administrations did it extend?

4. Who was the first discoverer of the coast of North America? — under commission from what sovereign? Why was the country called America?

5. Name five prominent men, now dead, who have held conspicuous places in American History.

6. Give a short account of the first voyage of Columbus across the Atlantic.

7. Give a short account of the settlement of Pennsylvania.

8. Mention some of the difficulties that beset our government under Washington's administration.

9. Mention the important events of Jackson's administration, and give dates.

10. Give a brief account of the struggle over the admission of Kansas as a State.

GEOMETRY.

(Illustrate each answer by a figure.)

1. When two straight lines cross each other, how do the angles made compare?
2. Name and define the different kinds of triangles. State the size of each angle in degrees, as far as it can be done.
3. How large is each angle of an isosceles right triangle?
4. How do you find the area of a right triangle?
5. The radius of a circle is equal to the chord of what arc?
6. What is the measure of an angle formed by two radii?
7. What is the measure of an angle formed by a chord and tangent?
8. When is a triangle inscribed in a circle? Show how it is done.
9. What is meant by isoperimetry? and which is the largest of the isoperimetrical figures?
10. What does the surface of a sphere equal? How is it found?
11. How is the solid measure of a sphere found?
12. State the length of a circumference, size of a circle, and solid contents of a sphere, pi being a little more than three. More exactly. Still more exactly. State the decimals in full.

ORTHOGRAPHY, ETC.

1. Mention the vowel sounds in the English language, and give one word containing each sound.
2. Give four rules for the use of capital letters.
3. How are words divided according to their formation?
4. Give the rule for doubling the final consonant in spelling derivatives.

5. Spell correctly the following:—

Philadelphia.	Necessary.
Cincinnati.	Judgment.
Representative.	Believe.
Parrallelogram.	Analysis.
Tranquility.	Hypothesis.
Comittee.	Until.
Average.	Accelerate.
District.	

6. Write in full the following abbreviations:—

A.D.	Pro. tem.	Jno.
D.D.	Acct.	Mem.
e. g.	Anon.	MSS.
i. e.	Bart.	N.S.
LL. D.	B.C.	S. J. C.
P.M.	Ct.	Wed.
Q. E. D.	Deg.	Dwt.

MUSIC.

1. Make four different kinds of notes, with their rests.
2. Fill three measures, in three kinds of double time, with notes and rests.
3. Fill three measures, in three kinds of triple time, with notes and rests.
4. Fill three measures, in three kinds of quadruple time, with notes and rests.
5. Make a staff, add G and F clef, also letters.
6. Write the major triad of every letter.
7. Write the minor triad of every letter.
8. Write the signature and scale from C to A flat, with G clef, using letters.
9. Write the triad of the first, fourth, and fifth degrees of the above scale from C to A flat, using letters.
10. Write the signature and scale from C to E, with F clef, using notes.

11. Write the triad of the first, fourth, and fifth degrees of the above scales, using letters.

12. Write a musical phrase of four or more measures, in double time.

DRAWING AND MUSIC.

These studies have been pursued in our schools long enough to become as much a part of the regular school work as writing or reading, and their usefulness or necessity need not now be discussed. In music we have continued to have the services of our energetic special teacher, whose lessons are always a source of profit and always pleasantly anticipated by the pupils.

In drawing we have not had the advantage of a special instructor, but have accomplished something in all the schools under the regular teachers. We feel that the times demand it, and that we ought to urge upon the town the importance of providing a skilled instructor in this department.

In February last we assembled our scholars in the Town Hall to give our people some idea of our work and methods of instruction in music. And at the same time we exhibited designs and books from the various schools, to show that we had made a beginning in the study of drawing, and to stimulate our scholars and teachers to greater effort. That exhibition was largely attended, and it is not necessary for us to comment on its success.

We deem it a wise plan to bring our scholars together in this manner every year, and until recently had intended to do so in February of this year, but for reasons of convenience to the pupils and parents, and to us in arranging the drawings, have postponed the exhibition to June next. At that time we hope to give our people a better entertainment in music and a more satisfactory exhibition in drawing; already the High School shows some fine work, and the

Adams Grammar School has made creditable advancement in the direction of original designs.

ATTENDANCE.

The number of scholars has increased during the year in all our schools with the exception of the Howard and Franklin. In the Hancock District, besides the Primary to which we have referred, the other schools have been larger than ever before.

In both the Warren and Bowditch Districts we placed as many additional desks as the school-rooms could conveniently hold, and yet many scholars were without desks. We have relieved the Bowditch by sending a large advanced class to the Hancock Grammar School and by removing some of the Adams-street children; but the Warren is still large, and in a few weeks will again be overrun.

The whole number of different scholars in our schools during the year was five hundred and fifty-three. Of these fifty-three were over fifteen, and nine under five years of age.

At the beginning of the year the assessors made a careful canvass, and the number returned by them between the ages of five and fifteen is four hundred and sixty-five, — seventy-seven more than last year, — and yet there have been in our schools during the year twenty-six more than found by them at that time.

Owing to the increase in the return of the assessors last year our share of the State School Fund is one hundred dollars larger than before.

The average attendance of actual members in all the schools for the year has been 89.75 per cent, a slight falling off from that of last year. The record of some of our schools has improved and is remarkably good, but that of the Primary and Mixed Schools, except the Franklin, indicates great need of improvement. The average daily attendance in number has been three hundred and sixty-six, showing

that one hundred and eighty-seven of those who have been connected with the schools sometime during the year have been, on an average, absent daily.

We call attention to the matter of attendance in detail in the table here appended.

The "Roll of Honor," including those scholars who have not been absent or tardy for a term or longer, is as follows:—

ROLL OF HONOR.

ADAMS GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

For the year. — Nellie Holbrook, Hattie Adams, Harry Pierce, Willie Chalenor, Alonzo E. Locke.

For the second term. — Willie Barnes, Hiram Lombard, Willie R. Bass, William D. Chisholm.

ADAMS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

For the year. — Louis E. Chalenor, Amy Holbrook.

For the first term. — Wm. D. Chisholm, Wm. R. Bass, Michael Manley, Eddie Webb, Etta Smith.

For the second term. — Elisha Lombard, Florence Holbrook, Nellie Fletcher.

ADAMS PRIMARY SCHOOL.

For the first term. — Florence Holbrook, Louisa White, Annie Jones.

For the second term. — Henry Webb.

HANCOCK GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

For the year. — Frederick Butters.

For the first term. — Addie Kneeland.

For the second term. — Adella G. Scott, Howard W. Smith, Everett Emery.

HANCOCK INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

For the year. — Frederick Saville.

For the first term. — Daniel Collins, Frank Merriam, Lizzie Gould, Willie Manley, Mary Brigham, Alice Butters.

For the second term. — Frederick Emery, John Spaulding, George Green, Charles Gould, Howard Hendley, George Conant, Willie Davis.

HANCOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL.

For the year. — Mattie C. Locke.

For the first term. — Josephine H. Scott, Edgar Lane.

For the second term. — Agnes D. Shaw, Charlie W. Swan.

BOWDITCH SCHOOL.

For the first term. — Albert P. Smith, Michael Hinchey, Emma B. Flint, Evelyn P. Flint.

FRANKLIN SCHOOL.

For the year. — Annie E. McCarthy.

HOWARD SCHOOL.

For the first term. — Annie Corier.

For the second term. — Alice A. Reed.

WARREN SCHOOL.

For the year. — Lucy G. Porter.

For the first term. — Mary L. Porter, and Lottie Kendrick.

For the second term. — Jennie Porter.

HIGH SCHOOL.

For the year. — Augusta Adams, Clifford Bryant, Lilian Choate, Joseph Fitch, Nellie Lunt, Amelia Mulliken, Leah Nunn, Nath'l Nunn, Nellie Parker, George Reed, Edith Robinson, Fred Rogers, Alfred Pierce, Clara Wentworth.

For the first term. — Ottie Alderman, Carrie Bacon, Frank Davis, Florence Damon, Alice Munroe, Clara Dennett,

John Donovan, Sarah Holmes, George Rogers, Frank Sumner, Carrie Underwood, Charles Underwood, Etta White.

For the second term. — Abbie Holbrook, Annie Adair, Georgie Dunning, Laura Kendrick, Muriel M. Downes, Isabel Peabody, Mary L. Porter, Edward Butterfield, Charles Davis, Warren Hadley, Albert Hill, Abbott Mitchell, Charles Pierce, Willie Reed.

The following scholars from the various schools have not been absent or tardy, as follows: —

For four years. — Leah Nunn, Alonzo E. Locke.

For three and one-half years. — Florence M. Damon, Edith J. Robinson.

For three years. — Harry Pierce, Nellie Holbrook.

For two and one-half years. — Lilian F. Choate, Lucy G. Porter.

For two years. — Amy Holbrook, Nellie H. Parker, Clara Wentworth, Nath'l Nunn.

For one and one-half years. — Florence Holbrook, Hattie Adams, Freddie Saville, Mattie C. Locke, Annie E. McCarthy.

Previous to the last term: —

For two and one-half years. — Etta Smith.

For one and one-half years. — Fred. Butters, Mary Brigham, Frank Sumner.

For one year. — Addie Kneeland, Ralph Edgar Lane, Lottie Kendrick, Emma Flint.

This list includes only those who have been neither absent nor tardy. There are others who have not been absent, but who have unfortunately been tardy.

During the first term no scholar in the High School was tardy.

During the second term, one girl and four boys were so marked.

TRUANCY.

By an act of the Legislature, passed in 1873, it became obligatory on the school committee to appoint two or more suitable persons, to be designated as truant officers.

These officers are alone authorized to make complaint under the truant laws, and carry into execution the judgment thereon.

In accordance with this statute we appointed Messrs. Eli Simonds and Walter Wellington truant officers. They have done some service in looking after absentees, but have not found it necessary to make any complaints.

TEXT-BOOKS.

The subject of text-books is one in which every parent has an interest, for pecuniary reasons. It requires no small outlay to provide the books needed in passing through all the grades of our schools.

The Legislature of 1873 passed an act as follows: "Any city by an ordinance of the city council, and any town by legal vote, may authorize the school committee to purchase text-books for use in the public schools; said text-books to be the property of the city or town, and to be loaned to the pupils, under such regulations as the school committee may provide."

This plan has already been adopted in many places; but there are advantages in the pupil's owning the books he uses, and, if retained, much satisfaction is derived from them in after years. We call attention to the act, without making any recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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CHARLES TIDD,

CHARLES A. WELLINGTON.

TABULAR VIEW.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	No. of Scholars. 1st Term.	No. of Scholars. 2d Term.	Average Number. 1st Term.	Average Number. 2d Term.	Per cent. of Attendance of actual Members.	Number of different Scholars.	SALARIES.
High	{ A. E. White. Louisa M. Thurston.	40	54	38	51.5	98 9-10	63	{ \$2,000 00 600 00
Adams Grammar	Silas Peabody.	39	35	35.72	31.37	96½	51	1,250 00
Hancock Grammar	O. A. Flint.	49	51	36.56	41.94	93.5+	58	1,050 00
Adams Intermediate	Gertrude Pierce.	32	32	27.36	26.08	90.5	42	500 00
Hancock Intermediate	Ellen B. Lane.	38	55	33.5	46+	94	63	500 00
Howard	{ M. A. Jackson. E. E. Harrington. M. A. Gustin.	27	28	17+	17+	86+	37	{ 500 00 400 00 500 00
Bowditch	Ada M. Frost.	50	44	35+	34+	87+	55	500 00
Franklin	Mary E. Thompson.	23	23	20.37	19.41	91.9	26	500 00
Warren	{ Ellen M. Underwood. M. A. Jackson.	59	56	36	40	85+	63	{ 500 00
Adams Primary	Carrie F. Fiske.	37	34	24.96	25.87	76	43	450 00
Hancock Primary	Fannie A. Hutchinson.	61	71	42+	54+	88+	83	450 00
Music Teacher for all the Schools	Horace Bird.	..	..	..	..	..	..	600 00